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## CROSS PURPOSES.

CHINA'S ABSORBING POLITICAL TANGLE.

### FENG'S IMPORTANCE.

Nationalists Still in Two Camps Apart.

HU HAN-MIN'S VISIT TO NANKING.

[By "Li Chung-yin"]

Cross-purposes which re-cross and intersect are revealed in this week's political and military developments in China. Although he has moved away from Nanking, the Nationalist capital, Feng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian General") is still an important factor, weighing as he does the balance of power in the centre and west of North China.

No change has appeared in the deadlock between the Moderates and the Extremist cliques and their respective parlor backers. The turning point now seems to hinge on whether the exile Rightists (some of whom have returned) will attempt to set themselves in power to the exclusion of all others, or seek new alliances.

### NEW ALLIANCES?

The most logical construction which can be placed on the refusal, to go to Canton, of Mr. Hu Han-min, General Hsu Chung-chi and others who returned from France this week, is that they are not satisfied merely to constitute the civilian element of a Canton Government subject to the domination of the Kwangsi faction and opposed on certain major issues to the Central Government at Nanki.

Mr. Hu Han-min is referred to as representative of a group and not as an individual—recognises that the scope is wider at Nanking although the hazards are greater. He would be sure of a job in Canton but not in Nanking. In Nanking, however, he might be able to re-establish himself while his old colleagues are at loggerheads.

#### CIVILIAN ELEMENT.

The Kwangsi faction is opposed to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek who is in hospital and taking little or no part in affairs. Mr. Hu Han-min opposes the Extremists. Chiang Kai-shek came to terms with the Extremists. Will Mr. Hu Han-min also oppose Chiang Kai-shek? The answer to this question is not essential at the moment. If he sided with the Rightists he might secure a leading portfolio in Nanking but he would still be under military direction. The same would happen if he contented himself with a provincial post in Canton.

Present indications are, therefore, that the exiles may be trying to set up a new faction which will co-operate with any civilian element not subservient to military whim.

#### A NEW STRUGGLE?

No political faction has found it satisfactory to work with the soldiers. When Marshal Chiang Kai-shek strove to make himself head of civil administration he bumped violently against the military.

Can it be that the return of Mr. Hu Han-min—with Dr. C.C. Wu, Mr. Sun Fo and other influential men who consistently schemed to thwart the Generals and are on the way back—signals an era of determined competition between the politicians and the soldiers of China?

Hitherto the fighting men have invariably held sway. To quote an instance—Mr. Hu Han-min himself, who was forced to leave China more than once because pressure was brought to bear on him. Today, however, the men with the biggest armies are concentrating on their respective spheres and leaving the Central Government to anybody who will leave them alone.

#### THE GENERALS.

Chiang Kai-shek is a casualty. His subordinate Generals are content to perform garrison duty in Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhui and parts of Shantung and Kiangsi provinces.

The Kwangsi faction, led by Marshal Li Chai-gum of Canton and his colleagues, are devoting their best attention to the consolidation of the provinces of Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan

## SOME BIG CRICKET WINS.

COUNTY GAMES.

NOTTS, HANTS AND YORKS TAKE FULL POINTS.

HARLEQUINS—676.

Home county cricket was characterised by a number of clear-cut wins. Hants got the better of Sussex by over 100 runs; Notts defeated Worcester by an innings; and Yorks were equally successful over Glamorgan. Surrey again failed to bring their match to a conclusion though they managed to take first innings' points from Leicestershire. Kent and Lancashire both won their matches on first innings.

The Harlequins, playing some of Kent's first team, beat the West Indies' eleven very easily.

London, Yesterday.

Hants Win.

Hampshire beat Sussex by 134 runs.

### "SOME RAIN."

"Moderate north-east winds, generally cloudy, some rain," is the official forecast till noon tomorrow.

At 10.32 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—"The typhoon is central over the north-east portion of the Sea of Japan. A trough of relatively low pressure extends from Indo-China to Guam."

Hants 287 and 160 for 5 declared. Sussex 130 and 183 (Wensley 102, Boyes 6 for 64).

#### Visitors Whacked.

The Harlequins beat the West Indies by an innings and 105 runs. West Indies 311 (Small 98 not out) and 260.

Harlequins 676 for 8 declared. (C. Knott 261 not out, Bettington 127, Evans 124).

#### Easy for Notts.

Nottinghamshire beat Worcestershire by an innings and 21 runs.

Notts 336. Worcester 100 and 215 (Larwood 5 for 42).

#### Oldroyd 162 Not Out.

Yorkshire beat Glamorganshire by an innings and 112 runs. Yorks 433 (Oldroyd 162 not out).

Glamorgan 167 (Macaulay 7 for 57) and 154 (Rhodes 6 for 56).

#### Hobbs and Barling.

Surrey beat Leicestershire on first innings.

Leicestershire 242 and 241 for 4. Surrey 422 for 6 (Hobbs 101, Barling 111 not out).

#### Middlesex Follow-on.

Kent beat Middlesex on first innings.

Kent 589 for 9 declared (Chapman 91).

Middlesex 804 (Hendren 106) and following on, 228 for 6.

#### Hallows Again.

Lancashire beat Derbyshire on first innings.

Derby 163 and 105 for 3. Lancs. 287 for 3 declared (Watson 122, Hallows 117).

#### Points for Somerset.

Somersetshire beat Warwickshire on first innings.

Somerset 199 and 123 for 7 declared. Warwick 141 and 71 for 5.—Reuter.

A fire broke out in a match in Kowloon City yesterday afternoon, which did \$200 damage. The shed is the property of Cheung Lee, building contractor, and is situated in Po Kwong-street. The Fire Brigade was in attendance.

against the Kwangsi faction and General Yen Hsi-shan.

Can Soviet agents have been responsible? It is known that they were busy in Sinkiang, which is west of Kansu. They can get into Kansu and Shensi through Mongolia as they did before to help the "Christian General". They may even now be the suppliers of guns and munitions to the Chinese.

Moderns in revolt against the "Christian General"—if only as a prelude to further plotting.

## PULVERISED COAL AT SEA.

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London, Yesterday.

The Blue Star liner "Stuart Star," the first vessel to utilise pulverised coal fueling, arrived in the Thames from the River Plate.

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He added: that the coal was so pulverised that it can pass through a mesh having ninety thousand holes to the square inch.

"Face powder feeder" is the description given to the plant by the crew.—Reuter.

## THE "FIRST LORD."

NOT A CANDIDATE AT NEXT ELECTION.

OWING TO ILL-HEALTH.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Bridgeman has informed the executive of the Oswestry Conservative Association that he will not be a candidate at the next election owing to ill health.

Suffering From Arthritis. Mr. Bridgeman is suffering from rheumatoid arthritis and three years rest is essential. He is also believed to be making way for



Rt. Hon. Wm. Clive Bridgeman.

younger men. He will continue his official task till general election.—Reuter.

The British Wireless message states that Mr. Bridgeman says that his reasons for retirement are purely personal. He felt that the strain of conducting a large office like the Admiralty and of staying late at night at the House of Commons was more than he could undertake without serious injury to his health.

Mr. Bridgeman has represented the Oswestry division for 22 years. He has been First Lord of the Admiralty since November, 1924, and was Home Secretary in the preceding Conservative Government.

The newspapers suggest that Mr. Bridgeman (who is 64 years old) will be elevated to the peerage and that, consequently, he will not be retiring from political life.

## PEACE PACT.

SOVIET AND OTHERS ALSO ADHERE.

London, Yesterday.

Yugo-Slavia and Rumania have indicated their intention of signing the Kellogg Pact.

Moscow, Yesterday. In a lengthy Note to M. Herbet, French Ambassador to Moscow, in reply to the United States' invitation, M. Litvinov, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, announces the Soviet Government's willingness to adhere to the Kellogg Pact.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 3/16.

## WIDER EXTRADITION POWERS.

ANOTHER NEW BILL.

HONG KONG'S DIFFICULTIES WITH CHINA LAW.

WHAT IS AN "AUTHORITY"?

"Abnormal and almost unprecedented constitutional condition of China" is blamed for the difficulty of legislating in Hong Kong on extradition or any subject of international character.

Hence the necessity of a new Bill to amend the Chinese Extradition Ordinance of 1889.

It will be recalled that an amending ordinance was passed last year. Fresh points have been raised and the latest bill will be introduced at the next meeting of the Legislative Council.

Much wider powers are given. A wider definition is given to the terms "Chinese authority" and "fugitive criminal." It is recognised that authority can be vested in a body, presumably to fit

### SOCCER TALK.

Impressions gained from yesterday's discussion at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Football Club are described by a correspondent on page 18. That an extraordinary meeting to carry out reforms will be held is predicted by the writer.

In with the system of government by committee now in vogue in Nationalism. A "fugitive" can include a person on the way to Hong Kong.

A phrase in the "Objects and Reasons" is interesting. It reads:—"It is not, of course, intended that acts duly authorised by a government subsequently ousted should be made the subject of extradition proceedings." This has been included, obviously, to meet certain conditions often prevalent but difficulties in establishing proof of authority, it is suggested, may arise.

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General Chu Yu-qu, one of the three commanders of the remnants of the Northern Army, paid a friendly visit to the K. M. A. and was shown around the mines.

The "Tongshan" area is quiet generally. General Chang Ching-yao moved in with about 5,000 troops on Aug. 30 and apparently they are maintaining order.

Outside the Great Wall (i.e. in Manchuria) the Manchurian troops have been moving.

## IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

Local sporting scribe:—"The cricket season is to start."

Is that so? Prizes for the Prettiest Girls."

What about one for the plain man?

Though the venue of the immaculate Immersion has been changed to Singapore, it will not eventuate until the new dock is opened, it is understood.

"Shares in the Public Eye—National United Laundries."

No more black shirts?

The renewed theosophical squabbling has resulted in—more publicity for Mary Baker Eddy's book.

Wimbledon has received a gift of land. But that doesn't mean that next year there will be more room round the centre court.

"Rarely has a world's title boxing match been staged in open air at the Clapton Stadium," says a contemporary. Remembering the age of the Stadium, we may reasonably remark—is that so?

The Chinese are being ordered to get rid of their tails. What about giving the same order to some of our cricket eleven?

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The Police waited till coils of rope had been stolen from three ships, the *Kaying, Suiseong* and *Bote*, before taking action.

In other words the offenders were given enough of the stuff to hang themselves.

Every spinster is looking for a husband; but if she is not good-looking, it's no good looking.

Shriners make long journeys to come out here. But pilgrims regard with dismay a bunjon's progress.

A correspondent asks if Kowloon girls want brains or beauty. It would be ungallant to suggest that our girls are wanting in either respect.

Chiang Kai-shek's forte, at present, is silence. We trust other politicians will also recognise it as an effective substitute for brains.

"What will be the new production at the Piccadilly," says a theatrical gossip, "remains to be seen." Let us hope that it will, indeed, remain to be seen; some recent shows have not remained very long.

The start of the long-distance races in the Olympic Games is exciting; and the same may be said of the Finnish.

"We have a natty little bungalow, quite close to the river," wrote the good hostess; but the guest thought that the qualifying word should have been spelt "gnatty."

The men employed in digging up the roads in Hong Kong have a hole-time job.

An evening paper boasts of a "Complete Woman's Section." But how can a woman in sections be complete?

"English girls are peerless." Perhaps; but not if they can contrive to hook a marquis or an earl.

An ex-teacher has bought an hotel. As regards the guests, will he succeed in "keeping them in"?

"There's too much bounce about the week-end motorist," says a critic. That's the worst of these cheap, boneshaker cars.

A Nationalist politician counsels "give and take" for both the Moderates and Extremists. Why not make it a lump sum for the winner? Then we'll have a real scrap.

"Scots Do Not Like Scotch Comedians," declares Ian Bruce in the "Daily Mail." Well, you do not expect a Scot to relish a joke at his own expense.

It may be that, in the words of the Underground slogan, there is "more room at the front of the trains"; but the drawback is that when they start you get run over.

The Duke of Gloucester has ridden in a close race, and when he goes to Africa he will see a distant race.

To prepare himself for an attack on the non-stop playing record, a local pianist was specially trained by the trainer of the Bury Football Club. A triangle player is seeking inspiration from following a non-stop car with the Safety First device painted on the back.

These fellows up in Lancashire will have their little joke—such a delicate form of humour, too. As soon as Benton Council had passed the new rate which showed a reduction of 8d., the rating officer handed the councillors their demand notes.

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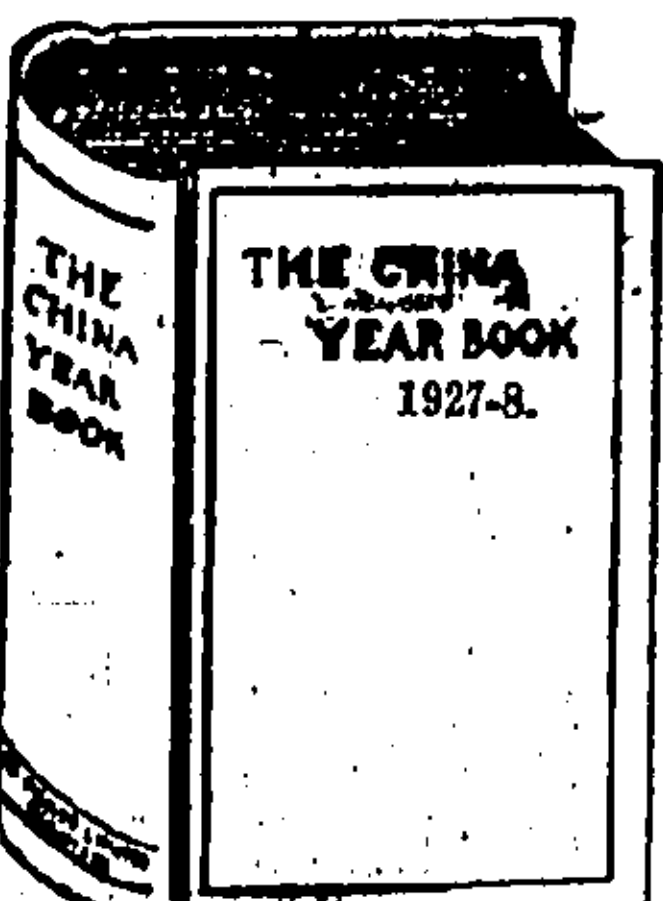
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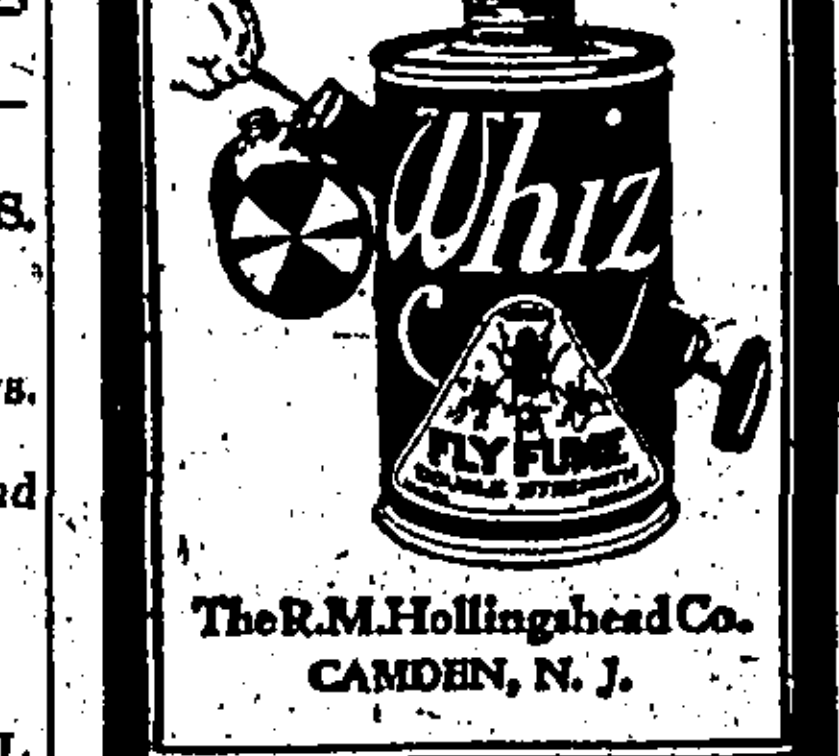
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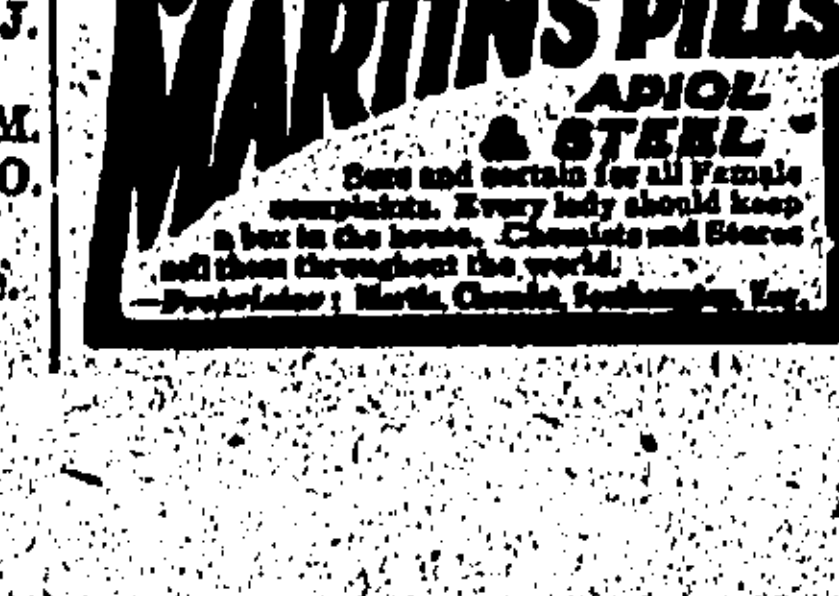
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date of yesterday state:

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during the week under review;  
there was a fair demand for most  
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The following are the principal  
alterations since last week:

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shares changed hands at \$1,290.  
Unions:—Continued on the up-  
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business having been done at \$365.

Canton Insurance:—Came in for  
a smart rise of twenty points and  
close with buyers at \$685.

Hong Kong Fire:—Opened at  
\$750 and rapidly rose until \$780  
was paid for a few shares while  
buyers are now offering \$790.

China Underwriters:—Are rather  
firmer with an advance of 5 cents  
on last week's quotations.

Hong Kong Hotels:—Are un-  
changed.

Hong Kong Lands:—Were done  
at \$65 1/2 while rather more would  
now be paid for further business.

Humphreys Estates:—Found  
buyers during the early part of the  
week at \$14.70 and \$14 1/2 is still  
being offered though rather more  
would probably be obtainable.

Realities:—Realities had a steady  
buying market at \$7 1/2, and at the  
close found buyers at \$7 3/4.

Hong Kong Trams:—Were again  
taken off the market at \$24.40.

Steamboats:—Are unchanged  
with buyers at \$28.

Star Ferries:—Were quiet  
throughout the week but at the  
close met with acceptance at \$64 1/2.

Waterboats:—Continue to meet  
with demand and \$20 3/4 is now  
offered.

China Lights:—Firmed up dur-  
ing the week and business was  
done in the old shares at \$12 1/4  
and the new at \$11.95 while the  
improved price of \$11.80 is being  
offered for the new issue.

China Providents:—Had a fair  
turnover at advancing prices from  
\$5.40 to \$5.60 and more shares are  
wanted.

Cements:—Could now be placed  
at \$9.30 for the combined shares.

Benguet:—Are unchanged with  
buyers at \$2.15.

Watsons:—Continued in de-  
mand at \$14 1/4.

Dairy Farms:—Are still wanted  
at \$22, but rather more would  
have to be paid to obtain shares.

Electric:—Maintained a steady  
rate and sales took place at \$50  
old and \$49 new and as we go to  
press rather higher prices are be-  
ing offered.

Wharves:—Experienced a firm  
and rising market, having com-  
menced the week with buyers at  
\$135, they close with sales at  
\$139 1/2 and in good demand.

London Quotations of the 30th  
Inst.:—Banks \$138; Indos Deferred  
£8 15/-; Shells £5.7.6. all mid-  
dle prices.

Exchange:—The demand selling  
rate on London is 2/1.16 and the  
T/T. on Shanghai is 1/5. 76 1/2.

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not at the moment fathom, was  
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(Pulse Judge) in the course of a  
Summary Court case heard yester-  
day afternoon and concerning an  
overland Whippet five-seater touring  
motor-car.

Mr. Mong Man-tat, No. 35,  
Eastern-street, ground floor, sued  
Mr. Lo Yin, stated to be of the  
compradore department of Messrs.  
Gibson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong  
Bank-building, for \$1,000 as  
damages for alleged conversion by  
defendant of the car, to which  
plaintiff claimed to be entitled.

Mr. Fred d'Almada was for  
plaintiff and Mr. C. A. S. Russ for  
defendant.

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Hong Kong, 30th August, 1928.

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Superintendent.  
Hong Kong, 23rd Aug., 1928.

**IN MANCHURIA.**

**WATCHING ACTIVITIES OF  
BORODIN'S ATTACKS.**

**MONGOLIAN ATTACKS.**

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Tangible evidence of the desire  
of General Chang Hsueh-llang of  
Manchuria to assist the Nationalist  
Government is forthcoming in the  
decision to evacuate 80,000 North-  
ern troops inside the Great Wall out  
to Manchuria, of which 10,000  
are proceeding over the new Chi-  
nese railway system from Chin-  
chowfu to Tsitsihar (not using the  
Japanese South Manchuria Rail-  
way) and thence to Khailar for the  
purpose of protecting the western  
section of the Chinese Eastern  
Railway against the attacks of  
Mongol troops, instigated, according  
to Japanese reports, by Borodin  
and other agents of the Third In-  
ternationale.

The situation at Khailar is most  
obscure and no reliable informa-  
tion is available, but the Chinese  
and the Japanese are keeping a  
close watch, regarding it as a se-  
rious reflection of the growing  
strength of the Soviet influence in  
Outer Mongolia.—Reuter.

**JAPANESE KILLED.**

Peking, Yesterday.

The Japanese who were captured  
by bandits at Wanhshien last May  
and for whose release demands for  
a huge ransom were frequently  
made, were killed on July 17, about  
200 miles north of Wanhshien.—  
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[Note: Wanhshien is in the East  
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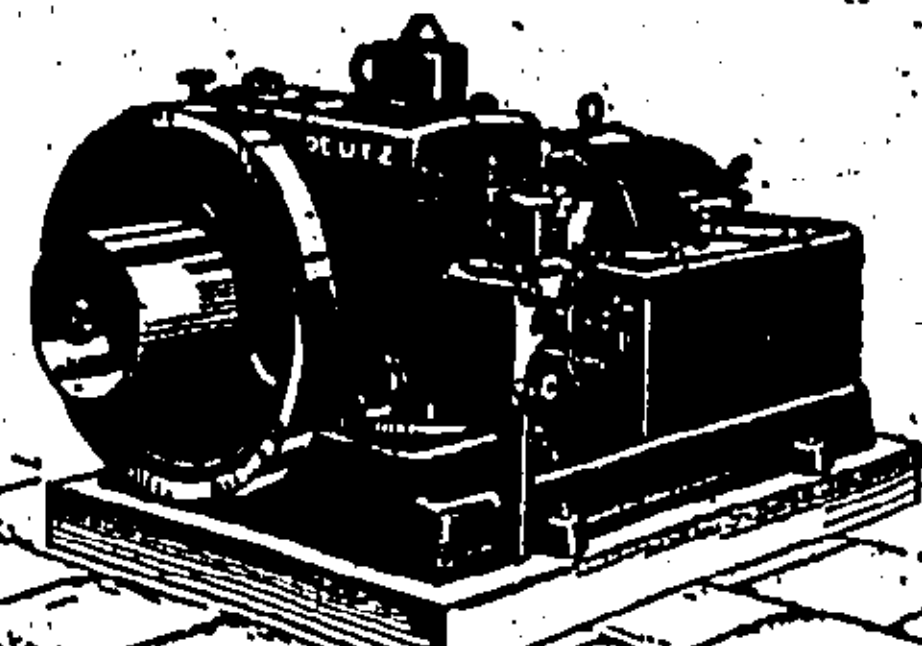
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HAWAII MARU ..... Saturday, 29th September.  
BOMBAY—via Singapore & Colombo.  
CELEBES MARU ..... Monday, 3rd September.  
INDUS MARU ..... Thursday, 20th September.  
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND  
MOMBASA—via Singapore and Colombo.  
CHICAGO MARU ..... Saturday, 23rd September.  
CALCUTTA—via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.  
TACOMA MARU ..... Tuesday, 25th September.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—via Shanghai and  
Japan ports.  
MELBOURNE—via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.  
MADRAS MARU ..... Wednesday, 5th September.  
HAIKONG—via Hong Kong & Peking.  
NEW YORK—via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.  
ARGON MARU ..... Thursday, 20th September.  
JAPAN PORTS.  
AMUR MARU ..... Saturday, 1st September.  
SHUNKO MARU ..... Saturday, 1st September.  
SANUKI MARU ..... Friday, 14th September.  
KISHU MARU ..... Sunday, 16th September.  
HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday, 2nd September at noon.  
TAKAO—via SWATOW & AMOY ..... Sunday, 9th Sept. Noon.  
DELI MARU ..... Thursday, 6th September Noon.  
SANUKI MARU ..... Sunday, 16th September.  
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## SHIPPING SECTION.

## ARMS SMUGGLING.

CHIEF STEWARD BEFORE THE  
MAGISTRATES.

## FIVE YEARS' "HARD."

Before two magistrates, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, the chief steward of the s.s. "Harunda" was charged with the unlawful possession of a large quantity of ammunition and firearms.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes, for defendant, pleaded guilty. He asked the magistrates Mr. W. Schofield and Major C. Willson, to show leniency to defendant, as he had a large family to support.

Detective Sub-Inspector Dorling said that half an hour before the "Harunda" was due to sail, 88 automatic pistols, 8,900 rounds of ammunition and 81 spare magazines were found in the steward's storeroom.

Defendant admitted that he was the owner of the arms. He said that they had been placed on board by a Chinook man, who had offered him commission.

Given the opportunity to find the man in question, defendant refused, saying that the man had probably gone into the interior of China.

Their Worshipships were of opinion that the defendant must have known the risk and the criminality involved in smuggling the arms and remarked that it was a very large quantity.

Defendant was sentenced to five years' hard labour.

## FOR EASTERN RUN.

NEW VESSELS FOR DUTCH  
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A somewhat interesting class of vessel was recently ordered by The Royal Packet Co. of Amsterdam and Batavia for coastal service in the East. The plans and particulars of these ships show them to be of a novel and superior type of craft. The contracts for seven were placed with the "De Maas" shipbuilding Co., of Slikkerveer, Holland, and six are grouped under the Company's A1 class and the other one under their A2 class. The following are leading details:

Length B.P.—165 ft. 0 in.  
Moulded beam—28 ft. 0 in.  
Depth—10 ft. 0 in.  
Draft—3 ft. 0 in.  
Displacement—785 tons.  
Deadweight capacity—400 tons.  
Engine power—240 B.H.P.  
Speed loaded—8 knots.  
The engine room is arranged at the after end of the ship and in it is installed a five cylinder compressorless Sulzer engine of the direct reversible type, started and reversed by compressed air. It is a standard model, having cylinders with a diameter of 300 mm, whilst the piston stroke is 400 mm. It is of the usual pre-combustion-chamber design running at 275 r.p.m., and normally 250 B.H.P., although in the Tropics it is rated at 240 B.H.P. The mean effective pressure is low being 2.9 Kg. per square centimetre, equivalent to only about 41 lbs. per sq. inch.

The machinery is self contained, each propelling engine driving an air compressor, a cooling water pump, a bilge pump, a sanitary pump and a lubricating pump. There is however a three-cylinder 30 H.P. Sulzer auxiliary engine driving a compressor, a dynamo, a centrifugal Sanitary pump and a stand-by lubricating pump. In the engine room are also a vertical Weir fresh water pump, driven by compressed air, two hand fire-extinguishing pumps, and there are four air bottles of 250 litres capacity.

The vessels have two cargo hatches, each being served by two 2-ton Mannesman cargo derricks, and around the mast are four cargo winches each driven by a 30 H.P. oil engine. On the poop is a windlass driven by transmission from both motors of the deck winches. On the after deck are two wooden lifeboats, 26 ft. long x 7' 6" beam x 2' 9" depth.

Accommodation for the chief engineer and six passengers is provided in the deck-house, whilst the captain and officer are berthed in the deck-house on the Navigation Bridge; the accommodation for the crew is forward.

## MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The M.V. "Toronto" (D. & Co.) sailed from Norfolk on Aug. 14, and is due in Hong Kong on Oct. 10.

Dr. Wagner, the Consul-General for Germany, left yesterday by the P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" for a trip to the North.

## SHIPBROKERS.

EXAMINATION OR  
EXPERIENCE?

## BROADER RECOGNITION.

London.—A general plea for broader recognition of the chartered shipbroker by shipowners and traders was put forward at the sixteenth annual meeting of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers, held at the Baltic Exchange.

Mr. A. J. Atkinson, of Hull (president), who was in the chair, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, said it was the sixteenth annual meeting of the Institute, and eight years had passed since they obtained their Royal charter.

During the sixteen years the status of the shipbroker had much improved. The establishment of the agency tariff had had much to do with this state of things. It had done away with any under-quotings or cutting. They had built up for the Institute a character for probity and honour. Any member diverging in the least from that was dealt with fearlessly and faithfully by their very capable and just council.

Some shipowners had done business with non-members, with disastrous results to themselves, and the council were always urging all shipowner's associations, both at home and abroad, to advise their members to place their ships only with chartered shipbrokers. (Hear, hear.)

The rising generation no doubt would benefit from all those efforts, not only by education, but by the example which was being set by the older members who had preceded them. The total membership was 2,280—1,431 fellows and 799 associates—and the finances were in a flourishing condition. Seven meetings of the council and no less than 37 meetings of committees had been held.

In conclusion, he wished to especially emphasise the importance of the future generation of shipbrokers being qualified to maintain a high standard of efficiency, and he hoped all principals would encourage their sons and clerks to attend preparation lectures in various centres and to present themselves for the qualifying examinations held locally. Finally, he paid a tribute to their secretary—the father of the Institute since its earliest days—Mr. J. A. Findlay. (Hear, hear.) Without him it would never have been formed, and certainly would never have survived.

## THE LONDON COMMITTEE.

Mr. W. A. Young (chairman of the council), in seconding, said it was not from books and lectures that shipbrokers gained that sixth sense which enabled them to judge which way a market was likely to move, but only by experience. But at the same time their examinations set a standard of knowledge.

One of the first questions already being asked of an applicant for the shipping appointment was "Have you passed the examinations of the Chartered Institute of Shipbrokers?" The Institute gave opportunities of learning and mastering many of the intricacies of the profession which were certainly not available ten years ago. The work entailed in connection with these examinations was not easy, and the Institute owed a deep debt of gratitude to those gentlemen who had spent so much time and labour in connection with that branch of the Institute. It had been felt for some time that there were no means by which the London members could co-ordinate and put forward their united views in matters which concerned their interests in the London district, and it was hoped that the London committee of the Institute which had been formed during the past year would fill this long-felt want.

It was the endeavour of the Institute to bring the profession to a level with other professions, not only by reaching and maintaining a high standard of efficiency with regard to business knowledge, but also by maintaining a high standard of professional conduct. In return, they only asked everybody concerned that shipping business, whether chartering or consignment, should be given to and carried out by chartered shipbrokers.

Owing to the lower expenses and quicker despatch given in discharging steamers at Continental ports compared with United Kingdom ports, British tonnage was still driven to give a preference to Continental destinations. Recently some of the port authorities in Britain, to encourage trade within their boundaries, had installed facilities for the better dunnage of grain, cargo, etc. In order to get the full benefit of these facilities,

and to bring more ships and more trade to these ports, it would be necessary to have cargoes shipped in such a form that those facilities could be made use of, and to have the cost made reasonable.

He paid a warm tribute to the valuable work of the chairman of the Examination Committee, Mr. D. W. Pinkney.

The report and accounts were adopted.

## FURTHER INTERESTS.

Mr. P. Harley said that some of the funds of the Institute might well be spent on making the objects of the Institute better known, and in generally furthering the interests of members. He suggested that an editorial secretary should be appointed, and that a monthly bulletin should be issued, telling members about all the passing events of interest to their profession, and thus making the Institute "a living thing."

Mr. Marmaduke Lawther pressed the value of the guarantee fund, which was designed to protect brokers. It had been suggested to the council that a guarantee fund should be formed for the protection of members against claims which may be made against them in connection with the due fulfilment or non-fulfilment of business negotiated by them, more especially in connection with the collection of freight. The solicitors had been consulted, and advised that such arrangement would be outside the objects of the Institute, and would be an infringement of the terms of the charter.

The following fellows were elected to replace retiring members of the Council:—Messrs. W. C. Buckell (London), A. Cowles (London), J. P. Dowler (Liverpool), C. Hartly Hodder (Bristol), Griffith J. Jones (Newport, Mon.), F. Linsley (Hull), E. F. Long (London), J. Lawrence McNeill (Newcastle-on-Tyne), S. Marshall (Sunderland), John W. Moore (Middlesbrough), and R. T. Slinn (London).

The balance sheet showed an income of £5,279 for the year, which gave a surplus of £1,822 over expenditure.

There followed the annual meeting of the Chartered Shipbrokers' Protection Association, presided over by Mr. J. F. Fawcett (chairman). Messrs. A. W. Broad, W. H. Vernal and W. J. Thomas were elected as additional members of the committee, and Messrs. J. F. Fawcett and C. Hartly Hodder were re-elected. Forty-eight cases were dealt with in the year, but no legal expenses were entailed. The balance sheet showed that the financial position was £30 above last year. The invested funds of the association stood at £614.

Mr. T. H. Stone, of Hull, seconded the adoption of the report and accounts, moved by the chairman, and this was carried.

## WOULD BE SUICIDE.

Captain Pritchard, master of the s.s. "Kinshan" reports that at 2.35 p.m. yesterday, while the vessel was approaching her wharf, a first class passenger, a Mr. Chang, attempted suicide by jumping overboard. He was rescued by the steam launch "Seelies."

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## FALSE RETURNS.

SHIPOWNER AND INCOME TAX.

CARE AT HULL.

At Hull Police Court, Sir Walter Herbert Cockerline appeared before the Stipendiary Magistrate to answer a summons issued at the instance of the Inland Revenue Department, that between April 6, 1911, and April 5, 1925 he unlawfully, knowingly and wilfully made (otherwise than on oath) certain statements false in material particulars in certain returns required by law and by the inland revenue authorities for income tax purposes, contrary to the Perjury Act of 1911, section 5. Sir Walter Cockerline is head of the firm of W. H. Cockerline and Co., shipowners and shipbrokers, of Trinity House-lane, Hull.

Mr. C. Salkeld Green and Mr. A. G. Tribe, of the Solicitors' Department of the Inland Revenue, appeared for the prosecution, and Dr. Thomas C. Jackson, solicitor, of Hull, represented the defendant.

Dr. Jackson raised immediately the objection that the summons was bad on the ground that it did not contain detailed particulars of the specific offence alleged.

Mr. Salkeld Green, replying, said that the defence had been told that every single return either for income tax or excess profits duty made during the period of 14 years was false in material particulars.

Those returns, he believed, numbered 100. The defence knew how far they were wrong on a statement agreed between the parties.

The investigations started in November, 1925, and the figures were agreed in May last.

Dr. Jackson retorted that a man who had led an honourable life and held an honourable character was entitled to know every occasion on which he was charged with being not merely inaccurate, but knowingly making false statements.

The objection was over-ruled.

In opening the case, Mr. Salkeld Green said that in certain aspects this was a complicated case, but in essential matters it was a simple one. He wished to point out and contended that the evidence would prove that every single return, whether for income tax, excess profit duty or super-tax submitted by defendant, not only during the period from April, 1911, to April 1925, had been incorrect. Mr. Green said it would be shown that there was a course of fraud extending right back to 1897. Therefore he said that from 1897 to the present date every single return for tax purposes was wrong. He hadn't counted them himself but he was informed there were about 155 of them. They were unusual because Sir Walter was part owner of a number of ships, and for tax purposes a separate return was needed for each ship. The amount lost to the revenue by this fraud, or which would have been lost if the fraud had not been found out and the money paid, was £107,106. Mr. Green then outlined the various amounts under separate headings which formed the total. The mere fact that the money had been paid, however, did not affect the fact that he had made false statements knowingly and wilfully.

He regretted to have to put this forward as a very serious case. It was serious from the view that this and other frauds by fraudulently-minded men meant that the honest taxpayer suffered.

Mr. Green, continuing, said Sir Walter started life in a humble way, and it was the greatest credit to him that he had risen to the position he had. He had risen by his own endeavour to accumulate a fortune of rather over a million. He had been Sheriff of Hull, and had received the honour of a knighthood. "It makes it all the sadder that behind all the steady progress he had made there was this history of fraud on the revenue for 30 years. There was a cloud behind it all which had now been revealed to everybody," he added. There was another factor which made it a serious case, added Mr. Salkeld Green. This was not the case of a man driven by pressure and want to commit this fraud, or a case in which the defendant had been driven by pressure of business to find money for his business. Sir Walter was a man who had been steadily throughout this period of the later years increasing his wealth and living well within his income. Counsel said that he found that on December 31, 1914, Sir Walter, as shown by his books, was worth £664,697, and on December 31, 1922, he was worth £919,058, and since then although counsel had not got the figures, his wealth had gone up to over a million.

One formal witness was called and the case was adjourned.

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Rotary Dryers.

Expressing the matter at short length, the arrangement may be summed up as a much shorter overall height of the setting, a new type of continuous, vertical, cylindrical steam-heated rotary dryers, with mechanical scrapers, or alternatively drying by passing hot air through the "Raymond" pulverisers, an improved type of rotary feeder super-sealing the screw design, and the new short flame turbulent type of "R" burner, allowing the burners to be installed at the front of the setting instead of the top, requiring, therefore, a much smaller combustion chamber, 30-60 per cent. less in cubic capacity. This burner takes up to 150,000,000 B.T.U., or six tons of coal, per hour per single unit, with not over 2½ in. W.G. air pressure, while also the combustion chamber is built up with water screens, "Murray-Uscio" fin-tube water-cooled air steel walls in series with the boiler under full pressure, and water sluice ash conveying, suspended arches also not being necessary. Air heating is employed for both the secondary and primary air, the latter going to the burner through the pulverisers, as stated. Further, a dust separator is fitted at the chimney base, through which the induced draught fans discharge, while the pulverising equipment and burners are now generally placed at the back of the boilers instead of over the top, to cut down the height still further.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 12.30 p.m., left Shanghai to-day at 9 a.m., and is due at Nagasaki to-morrow at 3 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nagapore" left Singapore for this port on Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Bengloe" from Middlesbrough, London, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on Monday.

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Captain Sir Arthur Rostron has received many honours. For his rescue work in the "Carpathia" he was received by President Taft at the White House, Washington, and presented by him with a letter of thanks signed by himself as President. A few months later he was presented by President Taft with the Congressional Medal of Honour, the highest honour the United States could confer. On the same day, Lord Bryce, then British Ambassador at Washington, presented him with the American Cross of Honour, awarded by the American Cross of Honour Society. Further honours awarded him were the Liverpool Shipwreck and Humane Society Medal, presented to him at Liverpool by Lord Derby, and a gold medal from the Shipwreck Society of New York. During the war he rendered distinguished service in command of the first "Alaurin," "Ivernia," first "Andania," "Saxonia," "Carmania," and "Mauretania" in the carriage of troops, both to the Dardanelles and across the Atlantic. He was also in command of the "Mauretania" when she acted as a hospital ship.

At the end of December, 1918, he was appointed captain on the Acting List of the Royal Naval Reserve, and in 1919 was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire. He was created a Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1926, and news of this was received by Captain Sir Arthur whilst he was still at sea. On his arrival at New York he learned the further signal honour had been awarded to him of the Freedom of New York.

## LESS CAPITAL?

COTTON GROWING ASSN'S INTENTION.

London, Yesterday. The British Cotton-Growing Association has called an extraordinary meeting to be held in Manchester on Sept. 9, to consider a proposal to reduce the Association's capital from £500,000 to £262,000 by returning to members 10 shillings per share, thereby reducing the nominal amount of each share from £1 to 10s. fully paid, and cancelling 2,874 forfeited shares.—Reuter.

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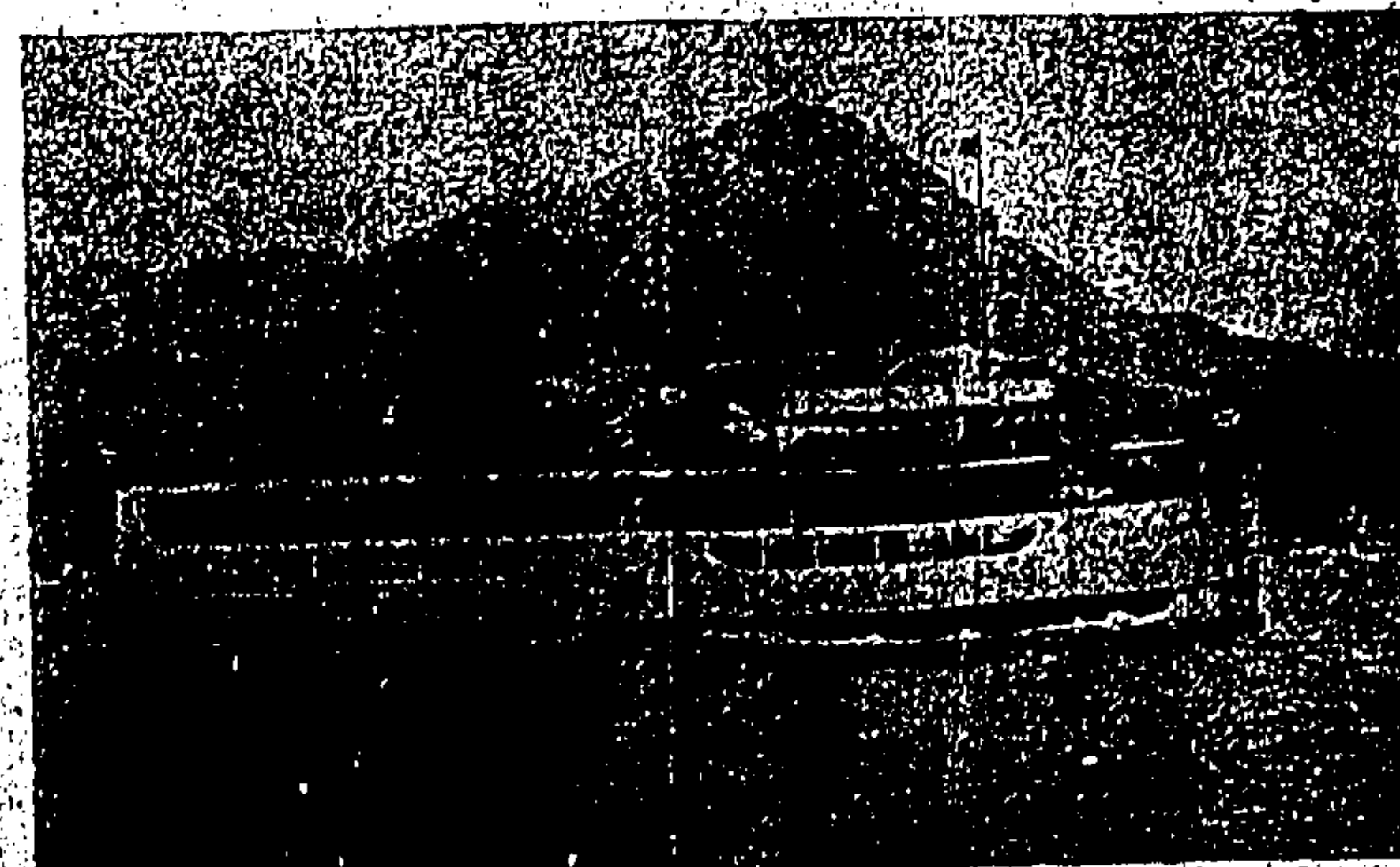
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## REVENUE OFFICERS.

## CRITICISMS IN DISTILLERY CASE.

\$35,000 LOST?

Strong protest was made by Mr. M. K. Lo at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, against a statement made by Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, in opening, before Mr. R. E. Lindell, the case in which Tsui Yip, licensee of the Tai Tung native distillery of Aberdeen, Lau Ki, manager-accountant of the distillery, and two "aze foks" (skilled workers) had to face various allegations of (a) conspiracy between August 13 and 22 to defraud the revenue of Hong Kong; (b) distilling spirit from "kongs" of molasses mash not due for distillations on certain days in the above stated period; (c) failing to account for spirits so distilled to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports; (d) removing the spirits without payment of duty; (e) replacing materials so distilled with more fermentable materials in the "kongs"; and (f) failing to account for them to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

\$35,000 LOSS.

In opening his case, Mr. Lloyd told the Magistrate that he had consulted with the Officers of the Crown, and would ask his Worship to deal with the case summarily, although the charge of conspiracy to defraud the revenue of the Colony was extremely serious. He commented that this class of fraud had affected the revenue of Hong Kong \$35,000 up to March this year.

This was the length Mr. Lloyd was allowed to go to before Mr. Lo rose to register his protest. Mr. Lo said that he was surprised at Mr. Lloyd's method of opening the case. He could not find words to express his astonishment that such a statement as had just fallen from Mr. Lloyd's lips, should be made by such a responsible Officer.

## A PROTEST.

Mr. Lo submitted that Mr. Lloyd could make that statement at the end of the case, and then only if his Worship decided to convict the defendants. Then a statement as to the extent to which the revenue had been defrauded could be made by Mr. Lloyd with a view to pressing for a heavy penalty. Such a statement at the opening of the case was unfair to the defendants, and he (Counsel) must register his protest against it.

Mr. Lindell agreed with Mr. Lo's contention, and asked Mr. Lloyd to confine himself to the facts of the case.

## PARTIES CONCERNED.

Mr. Lloyd then proceeded to say that they had before the Court the parties concerned with the distilling of the spirit. The people concerned with the shops which dealt in the spirit which was by some means or other removed from the distillery, they (the prosecution) were unfortunately unable to bring to Court.

Continuing, Mr. Lloyd explained that Tsui Yip was the licensee of the Tai Tung distillery, Lau Ki was the manager who looked after the books, and was always at the distillery to receive the Revenue Officers when they called.

The third accused was the mash "aze fook" who attended to the putting of the molasses and rice tailings into the "kongs". During a part of the time the "kongs" were being fermented, he was absent from the distillery, having been on 10 days' holiday. He returned on August 20. No. 4 accused was the assistant mash "aze fook" and had acted for No. 3 during the latter's absence.

## LEGAL OBLIGATIONS.

Continuing, Mr. Lloyd said that the difference of situation between the present case and the last case against the same distillery was caused by the new regulation No. 8 which laid down 96 hours as the maximum period of fermentation. This regulation was introduced subsequent to the last case, about a month or six weeks ago.

The Magistrate looked up the regulation and stated that it was in Government Notification No. 411, dated July 20.

Mr. Lloyd commented that before the new regulation was introduced, there was legal obligation on distilleries, but now all have to work on the maximum period of 96 hours.

Mr. Lloyd added, could tell the age of the fermented materials in a "kong" by merely looking at the surface of the "kong", as up to the end of the third day it remained the same.

In the case of this particular distillery, Mr. Taylor of Information received had paid special attention to it and had made various visits to the place since early in August. By the appearance of the "aze fook" Mr. Taylor found that fermentation had been carried on for much longer than the 96 hours.

Mr. Taylor also noticed various occasions, a number of jars labeled ready to be sent out. The spirit in these jars could not be accounted for by the number of jars which were recorded as having been distilled from the various "kongs" due for distillation.

## OPIUM TRAFFIC.

## GENEVA DISCUSSES DIFFICULTIES OF SUPPRESSION.

"ESPECIALLY HONG KONG."

Geneva, Yesterday.

At the beginning of the League Council's discussion of the opium question a letter was read in the name of the Siam Government, welcoming the appointment of the League Commission and promising co-operation.

Lord Cushendun referred to the difficulties in carrying out the undertaking to suppress the traffic in opium, especially in Hong Kong owing to its proximity to China and facilities for smuggling. Britain therefore proposed that the League appoint a Commission to go to the Far East to examine conditions independently and impartially.

Mr. Adachi declared that Japan would do her utmost to ensure the success of the Commission, and hoped that all Far Eastern countries including India would declare their readiness to welcome the Commission. Subsequently Mr. Adachi announced that Japan had ratified the Geneva Opium Convention of 1925.

M. Boncour promised France's support to the Commission's work in Indo-China and urged that the inquiry apply to all opium producing countries, including China.

Mr. Van Blokland said that the Dutch Government would invite the Commission to visit all Dutch colonies, while Wang Chi declared that the Chinese Government always welcomed efforts to suppress this terrible scourge, but he was awaiting a cable from China giving China's definite reply. Wang Chi suggested that the inquiry be extended throughout the world.

## U.S. INVOLVED.

Mr. Mackenzie King, who as rapporteur made his debut at the Council table, read the report, which was adopted, and proposed that the United States be invited to submit a name for its member to the proposed Central Opium Board and adjourn the final consideration of the subject.

The proposal was carried.—Routier.

## WEDDING.

## SANDERSON—MACKINTOSH.

The wedding took place in London on Wednesday, July 25, at Christ Church, Westminster, of Lieutenant I. C. M. Sanderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sanderson, of Elstere, and Miss L. C. Mackintosh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mackintosh, who were in China, mainly in the North, for 35 years, during which time they made many friends who will still remember them, before retiring to Drumalin, Inverness, where they now reside.

The bride wore a medieval dress of ivory chiffon velvet, with a train of silver tissue and a veil of old Honiton lace. The five little bridesmaids—the Misses Elizabeth Bernard, Hermione Hornby, Judy Leslie-Melville, Nan Watson and Diana Sanderson, wore long picture dresses of lavender net.

A number of old China hands attended the wedding, and the reception which followed at St. Ermin's, among them being Sir Charles and Lady Addis, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard, Lady Clement and Sir Newton and Lady Stabb.

The following Committee has been constituted to advise the Registrar of Companies on the qualifications of Chinese applicants for recognition as auditors:—The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. Li Po-kuai, Mr. Ho Leung-wo, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. In Lan-tsun.

ment was called to give evidence of statements made by one of the defendants when questioned by Mr. Taylor through the witness at the distillery.

## ADJOURNED.

Mr. Lo said that in view of Mr. Lloyd's opening statement that the distillery had been under watch for at least ten days before this surprise visit which Mr. Taylor and his party undertook under a heavy downpour, picking their way through a stream, and running the risk of being drowned, he wondered if evidence of statements made by the defendant to the interpreter was admissible.

Counsel explained his objection by pointing out that if Mr. Taylor had paid a visit to the distillery to make a case and was seeking information, as he no doubt was in view of the watch previously kept, then the statement was not admissible as evidence against the defendant, as he had not been warned prior to his being questioned.

Mr. Lindell said that he was of the opinion that the evidence of the interpreter was admissible, but agreed to make a note of Mr. Lo's objection. The case was adjourned.

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Mrs. F. F. Eca de Silva and Mr. & Mrs. F. H. Mody tender their sincere thanks to all their relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and floral tributes and for their attendance at the funeral.

Hong Kong, Saturday, Sept. 1, 1928.

## ON POLICEMEN.

Everybody nowadays seems to be taking a friendly interest in the London Policemen. When the question of the appointment of Viscount Byng as Commissioner of the Police Force was raised in the House of Commons, the imagination of members was fired and great was the facetiousness in quips and sallies. Lord Byng's membership of the House of Lords was raised as an objection to his appointment. Conundrums, obvious and otherwise, were propounded to the Home Secretary. Why couldn't the Government have appointed a member of the House of Commons? Question No. 1 Answer: Because the Police Act specifically prevents a member from that House from occupying the position. Question No. 2. Would there be any objection, if a constable were raised to the peerage, to his being allowed to sit in the House of Lords and then return to traffic duty? Answer: (The Home Secretary continuing his dignified treatment of the subject showing no Gilbertian humour). The head of the Police Department would not be allowed to answer any questions in the House of Lords. Question No. 3. What were the grounds for prohibiting the police chewing gum when on duty? Answer: Because the practice involves an unbecom-

able comment, and also would interfere with the man's capacity to deal effectively with his task—besides, there was the chance that the policeman might blow the gum into the whistle when calling for assistance" (a point so far overlooked by criminals and Charlie Chaplin's scenario writers). And Lady Astor quaintly asked: "Is it not more difficult to answer questions when chewing gum? The dignified Home Secretary admitted that that was "the very reason." Evidently the Minister was not going to be side-tracked into considering whether the practice of chewing gum would make it more difficult for ministers to answer questions in Parliament. Gladstone had various ways of answering such questions, but he never thought of chewing gum as an aid to the greater obfuscation of his interrogators. What emerged from the questions and answers in the Lord Byng case was that the London policeman is a dignified institution in himself, and must be treated as such by the Government and public alike.

All this must sound very pleasing to the ears of our exiles out here. If not a happy one, the policeman's lot at Home is at least a stately one. In Hong Kong the guardian of the law is not so fortunately placed, not because of any particular failings on his part, but in the main because of the reputation earned by the Police Department. It is, of course, a very difficult job to look after a big police force, especially when it contains, as does the local one, Europeans, Cantonese, Shantungese, Indians and others, so mistakes are inevitable. What we would like to see is the Hong Kong policeman, whatever his race, raised to the pedestal of dignity on which so unshakably struts his confrere in England.

Mr. J. A. Fraser is appointed District Officer, South New Territories.

The resignation of Lt. N. L. H. Ralston from the H. K. V. D. Corps has been accepted.

The Kung Wo Hotel Co. Ltd. and J. T. Lloyd and Co. Ltd. have been struck off the register.

The Wo Fat Steamship Co. Ltd. is liable to be struck off the register in three months time.

Mr. E. H. Williams has been appointed Assistant District Officer, N. and S. Districts, New Territories.

The discharging of fireworks in the vicinity of the Government Civil Hospital is prohibited, according to a notice in the "Gazette."



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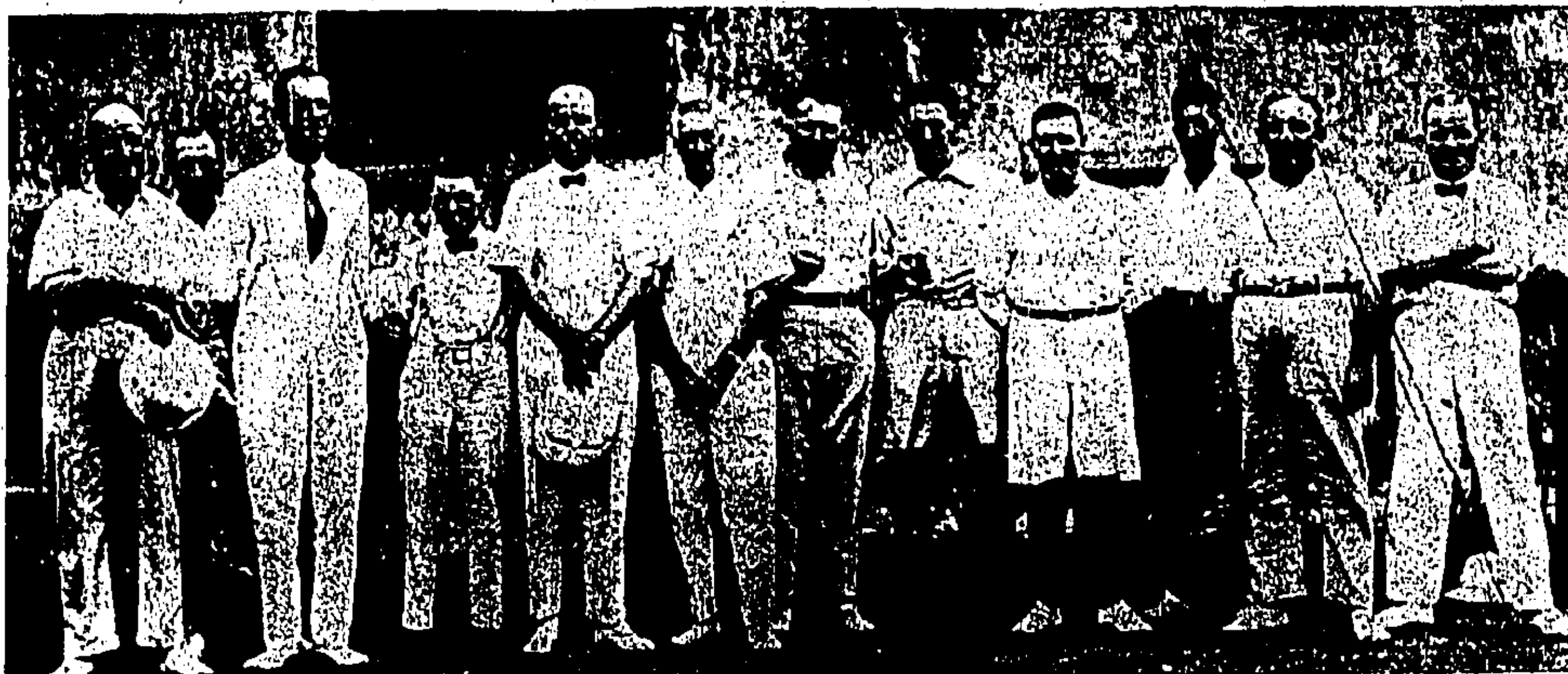
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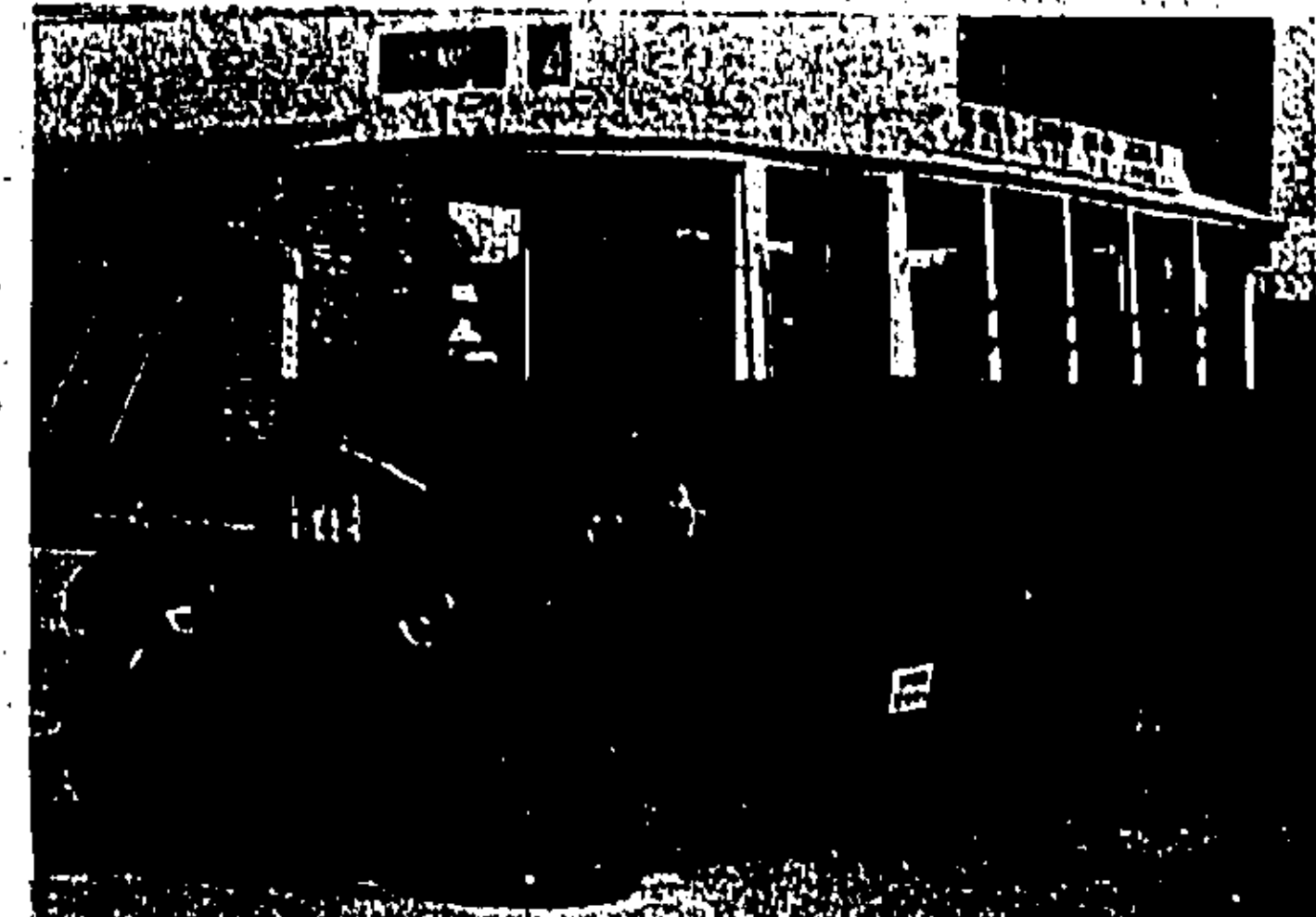
# PICTURES OF LOCAL INTEREST



**KIDDIES READY FOR THE "GO."**—An event for children at last week's R.A. swimming sports at the V.R.C.—(Welcome Studio).



**OUT FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SECOND BOWLS LEAGUE.**—The Civil Service Cricket Club lawn bowls team which defeated East Point Recreation Club last Saturday and are at the top of division II.—L. Whant, F. E. E. Booker, S. E. Alderman, R. R. Davies (skip), F. H. Holdman, L. Longbottom, L. Luck, R. T. Taylor (skip), S. Eccleshall, C. J. Jones, J. R. Archibald, J. Massey (skip).—(Welcome Studio).



**NOW FLYING AT KOWLOON.**—Dennis motor-buses, the coachwork of which has been constructed by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. for the Kai Tak Co.



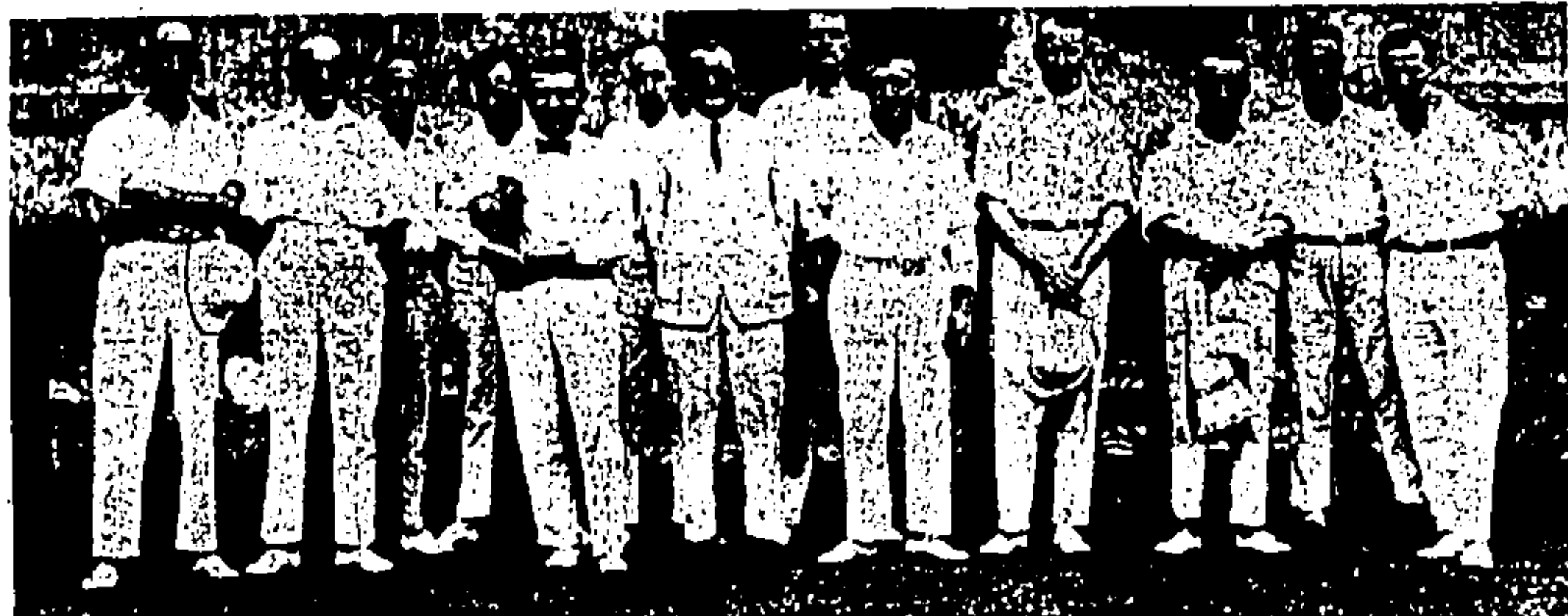
**MR. M. F. HOUGHTON.**—Chief Engineer of the "San Nam Hoi," who was presented with a gold watch.



**"OLD BOYS" FOREGATHER TO HONOUR THE PRESENT HEAD.**—The Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A., Headmaster of Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, in the centre of the front row, at a dinner of old boys of the school held on Aug. 6 at Taihoku in Formosa. Mr. Featherstone took advantage of the summer holidays to visit the school's honorary correspondents in nearby ports. The number of past pupils in one Formosan port is a tribute to the D.B.S. tradition.—(Photo by K. Yendo, Taihoku).



**HERO OF THE "SAN N. M. HOI."**—Captain W. H. Sparke of the s.s. "San Nam Hoi" who, for repelling pirates on Jan. 17, was presented at Government House with a silver teaset on a blackwood tray, inlaid and mounted with silver.—(Welcome Studio).



**EAST POINT RECREATION CLUB'S LEAGUE BOWLS TEAM.**—Which lost (at East Point) to Civil Service Cricket Club 2nd team last Saturday, consisting of A. Paul, E. D. Black, C. A. Goldenberg, H. Hampton (skip), D. Hill, M. Arnold, L. de Rome, A. Webster (skip), H. Hatch, C. H. Coutts, H. E. Akehurst, J. W. Shaw (skip).—(Welcome Studio).



**KOWLOON BIRTHDAY PARTY WHICH WENT WITH A SWING.**—There was a "double" celebration at No. 86, Nathan-road, on the night of August 21, in honour of the birthdays of two well-known residents, Mr. R. H. Charles of Roxor and the well-known gentleman rider, and Mr. C. D. Robertson of Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant department.—(Welcome Studio).



**GEORGE O'BRIEN & VIRGINIA VALLI** in "Titanic" William Fox Attraction.



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**COMPETITORS IN THE UNIT RELAY RACE.**—At the R. A. aquatic sports in the V.R.C. bath last Saturday, competitors watching for the return of colleagues. The race was won by 12th Heavy Battery.—(Welcome Studio).



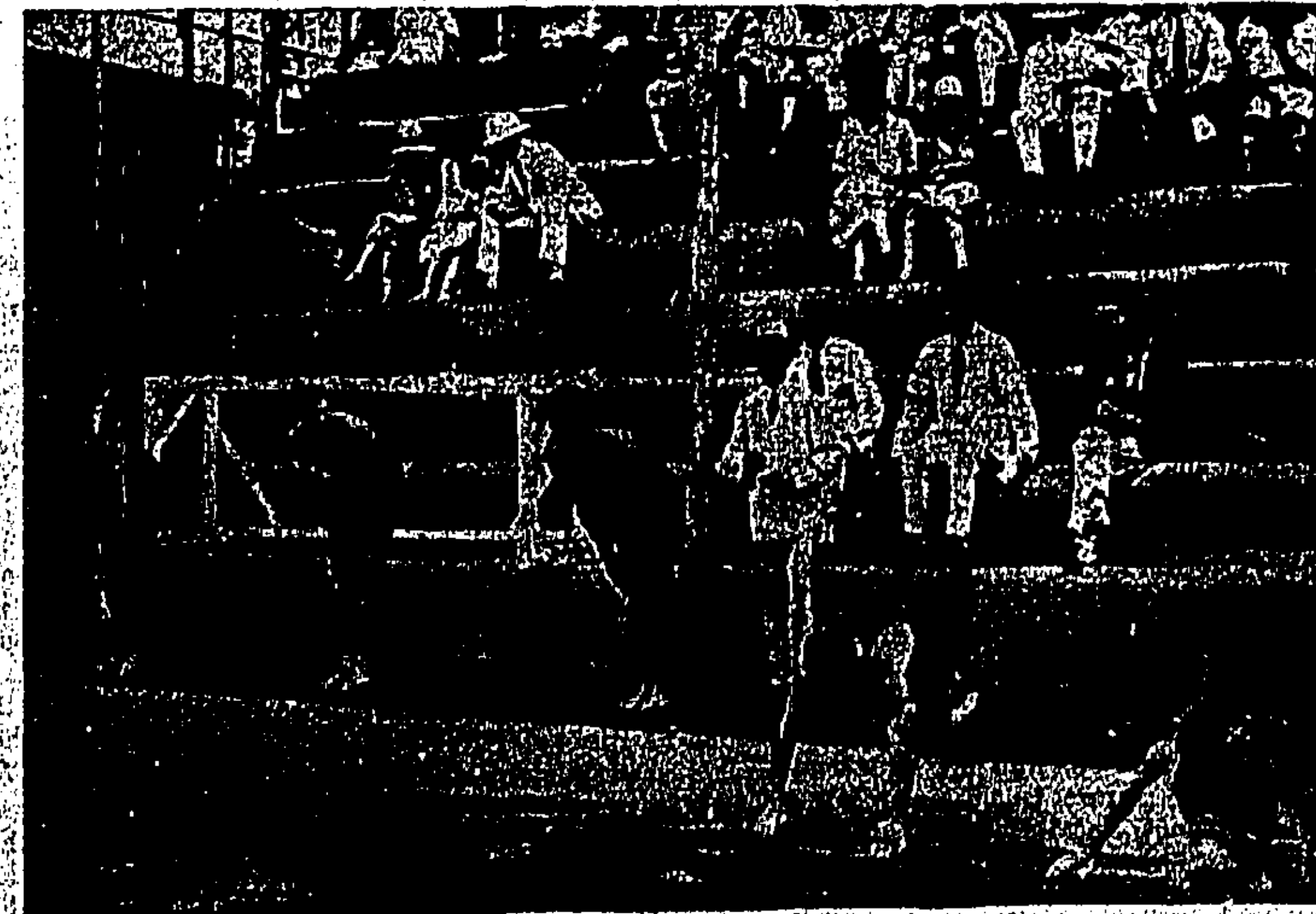
**NO. 2 RINK.**—In the East Point R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. division II league bowls match last Saturday, A. Webster's rink lost to R. T. Taylor's rink by 11 shots to 32.—(Welcome Studio).



**PLAY AT EAST POINT.**—"Ginger" Whant of Civil Service "in action" for R. R. Davies' rink (of Civil Service) against H. Hampton's rink (of East Point R.C.) last week.—(Welcome Studio).



**GEORGE O'BRIEN & JUNE COLLYER** in "Titanic" William Fox Attraction.



**AT THE ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS.**—Competitors, officials, recorders and spectators at the aquatic sports of the Royal Artillery, held in the Victoria Recreation Club bath.—(Welcome Studio).



# THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED

## AN INNOVATION IN EVENING DRESS

Hollywood Sponsors a Formal Gown with Long Sleeves. Period Tendencies Are Emphasized in Romantic Fashions for Summer.



All that is delicate and femininely appealing in the mode is being stressed in the exquisite gowns of period tendencies exhibited for the summer season.

Ever alert to sponsor the newest in modes, Hollywood has put its seal of approval upon the evening gown of romantic tendencies. And Doris Kenyon, First National feature player, is one to sponsor an innovation in formal frocks.

Miss Kenyon has selected one of the alluringly feminine and distinctive gowns of the season sponsoring all that is feminine in clothes. The gown is of tulle and lace over a foundation of white satin. Point d'esprit lace is lavishly used from the bodice to the floor. The hem of deep points is beautifully applied in flowers and leaf designs. Gardenias and orange blossoms in streamer effect, decorate the left shoulder. The most important features, of course, are the long sleeves of lace and the lace trimming. The whole effect is one of exquisite daintiness and flattering delicacy.

Evening dresses as a whole are being used to express the most daring of the innovations which

mark the season a successful one. Women are once again expressing their feminine allure in gowns of subtle drapery, in frills, in clinging robes and all sorts of fluttering and flattering gowns of romantic appeal.

There are the robes de style seen in the heavy, formal fabrics of moire, lame, satin and brocades, while the softest and most femininely fluttering of materials such as chiffon, lace, tulle, point d'esprit and nets are seen in gracefully billowing gowns of the romantic age.

Row upon row of the soft, delicate materials are used to establish these femininely picturesque frocks. Exquisite shades and trimming of a feminine nature are other important features. Ribbons, sashes, flower applique, hand work and embroidery all lend the charm of olden days to the modern bejewelled and be-ribboned girl.

While necks have a manner of bestowing importance to the formal gown and most of the newest models feature sleeveless modes, the startling innovation of the long-sleeved evening dress is one that is apt to become one of arresting importance as the season advances.

## BEACH WEAR IS IN SEASON.

The beaches, throughout the length and breadth of our land, are picturesquely interesting through the summer months. It is holiday time, and a carefree spirit adds the personal touch to brilliant sunlight, the sparkling sea and colourful sands. To the edge of the rippling waters come those who swim and those who bathe, the latter quite as much at home on the shore as in the sea. Fashion takes note of all this.

Beach wear is smart. It has individuality, because into it go many materials, many colours and many clever trimming ideas. The unusual is preferable to the usual in an outdoor setting, and combinations of colours are effective in the sunshine that would not do at all in the shade. All this, combined with accessories with the same feeling, makes the scene at the shore an invigorating and delightful one.

Two distinct types exist, as against a possible three, some years ago. Study has effected a combination of the true beach suit, intended for dry bathing only, with the suit that was designed for sea bathing, but not for active swimming. There remains the compromise and the regulation swimming suit that is practical first and smart afterwards. But the latter characteristic is quite a prominent as the first.

The slip, of some material that will stand wetting, is the preferred beach-suit, completed, in nearly every instance, with shorts of matching or contrasting fabric. This does not mean that a uniform has been adopted, for so wide is the range of models that variety is assured. Every possible material is used, and the pattern and colour range is amazing, also the use of details which supply another form of individuality. Silks and satins are augmented by the new man-made fabrics, and one, two, three, even five colours

are combined in the designs. There are polka dots—large, small, round, square and legal seal type; flowered, geometrical and modernistic patterns, and there is always some fundamental idea in the colour scheme that is followed in the accessories that are quite as important as the suit itself. They make, or ruin it.

The swimming suit is made of jersey in a fine weave, and may take one of two forms. It may be one-piece or two, the latter made up of shirt and shorts, allowing unlimited possibilities of combination in colour and design. At times the shirt is darker, again it is lighter, than the shorts, and the belt that connects the two is in keeping with the colour arrangement. Suits all in one colour are extremely rare.

The opposite is true when the suit is one-piece, for the back-ground is frequently used to make designs woven into the suit, or embroidered upon it, more effective, and is, usually, dark. Many effect the suit in solid colour, absolutely unbroken, save for a narrow belt in colour, perhaps.

Suits that display no colour, except in accessories, may be worn with a giddy beach coat of the blazer type or rather like a trench coat. When the blazer is the choice, one of the stripes is in the same tone as the suit, while others carry out the colours in the details. A trench coat of linen crash, decidedly colourful, is a smart possibility—there will be an expression of the colour of the suit itself, somewhere in the design.

Cretones make smart coats, and oftentimes when the slip of a beach suit is of printed silk, the crepe or coat is in a solid colour, the latter monogrammed in the colours of the print. Belts, bandanas, kerchiefs, wraps of all sorts, footwear, sun umbrellas, beach pillows and bathing bags, as well as many curious novelties are to be had, and in a variety that assures the completion of a perfect ensemble.

## SUMMER SANDS ARE GAY WITH COLOUR

Beach Fashions Show a Variety of Swimming Suits, Lounging Pyjamas and Wraps in Interesting Ensemble Effects. Gay Innovations Mark the Mode.



Vivid colours and elaborate costumes are the two outstanding features of the costumes that go down the sands to meet the sea this season. While there are still to be found very simple effects in jersey suits, these are in the minority and are definitely meant for those who take their swimming seriously. The mode at the beach, as a matter of fact, is a frivolous one and riotous colours, lavish fabrics and designs are the highlights of beach costumes.

An outstanding feature of the bathing wardrobe is the number of pieces essential to achieve bathing chic. The swimming suit, of course, is included, but there is also the lounging suit for the beach, the Lido effect in pyjamas, as well as capes or coats, hats, shoes, pocketbooks, parasols and all sorts of vanities included in the list of beach accessories.

The bathing suit itself may be of jersey or rayon and jersey. Combined colours are the most effective in these suits. They appear in all shades, often with a simple horizontal stripe about the waist or with shorts and tops of contrasting shades. The yachting influence is seen even in the jersey bathing suits, and dark blue and white,

with blouse of white with blue scarf collar and shorts natty flaring of navy trimmed with brass buttons form one of the most distinguished of bathing suits.

Knitted suits of rayon and silk, rayon and wool and with other combinations are seen in dressy models which feature scarf effects, blouses with distinctive design and shorts of brilliant colouring in harmonizing tones.

Flowered crepes in very stunning models show the trend of fashion in gay colours. Floral patterns are popular and the modernistic note is also exhibited in designs in which squares, cubes, circles and geometric patterns all find a niche.

Vivid shades and striking designs are the keystones of these costumes. Berets are worn as the most successful head coverings with this type of suit while the severe helmet is worn with the knitted jersey suits.

Coats which give an ensemble appearance are chosen with one eye to the bathing suit. They are generally of the three-quarter coat type and are seen in silk, kasha, terry, crepe, and newest of all, linen.

Beach pyjamas are becoming increasingly popular for those who love to loiter about the sands but pre-

fer to keep their toes from the water. Crepe de Chine in both plain and figured patterns are seen. Hand painted designs on some of the more unusual models denote scenes of interest. These pyjamas also include a coat that makes them fascinating three piece models. They exclude the sun very nicely when the wearer does not wish a coat of tan.

On the other hand, there are those who crave a good coat of tan, and for them the sun suit, with its deep décolletage front and back rivals the suits designed for the very young generation.

Brilliant belts, cushions, bags and scarfs all help to make the beach a colourful place this season. But while there is colour, fashion has decreed that there must also be harmony and hence the stressing of the ensemble note in selecting suit, coat, pyjama and accessories.

Alice White, who plays with so much charm in First National's "Harold Teen," loves the water and enjoys active swimming as well as dressing the part of the California beach club, and has chosen several smart suits and ensembles to make her beach wardrobe enviable for its brightness and distinctive appearance.

## THE EVENING WRAP IS VARIED

The New Silhouette of the Summer Frock Has a Good Deal to Do With the Lines of the Formal Coats.



It would be impossible in a season which shows a variety of silhouettes in evening gowns to bring forth a single wrap and say it is the season's choice for a formal wrap.

Inasmuch as evening gowns may be slender in silhouette to an extreme point, or exotic in their bouffancy, there is no single wrap that could meet the requirements of them all. There are, as a matter of fact, an almost unlimited number of wraps and coats to choose from.

The velvet evening wrap is having a decided popular appeal. In the sheer weaves it is especially attractive. It is simply designed and requires a gracefully draped effect that the wearer alone may give in holding it wrapped about the figure. It comes in several lengths and is most frequently seen without the added luxury of fur. The popularity of the scarf effect

has given the newest wraps another means of adding chic to themselves. Scarf and trimming of lamé are a particularly effective combination. All colours are used. Green and yellow being two of the season's most successful colours. They are really lovely with silver or gold lamé trimming.

All white and black and white, silver and gold, too, are seen in the favourite wraps for summer. These, when done in lamés, chiffons or velvets are distinctly chic. The desire for fragile chiffon wraps has introduced a new type of evening coat. It matches the gown and forms a stunning ensemble effect.

Billie Dove, who has occasion to wear several stunning evening costumes in the First National film, "The Night Watch," has chosen for one wrap silver lamé, beautifully brocaded and lavishly trimmed with white fox fur. Its lines are straight and slender.

## TEA TOPICS.

dark powder on the face and rouging the lips a brilliant red to match the frock, one of the interesting fashions that summer has brought us. A new ruby shade is very lovely, one can imagine it in a soft, silk velvet.

Brown seems to be an accepted sports colour, or else it is used in the tallered group. On the other hand, beige is important even in formal evening models, some designers showing a decided preference for it to the comparative exclusion of other colours. Gray is important in both the formal and the informal mode, especially important in trimming furs, no matter what the colour of the coat. There will be purples for those who can wear them, and this colour will be seen in evening wear.

This is quite as far as one dares go at present. There will be many new shades, and no one can say exactly which ones will meet the public need or take the fancy of the critical. There will be new ways of introducing colour, but probably there will be nothing smarter than the use of shades of a single colour, sometimes as many as five being brought into the scheme. Not always in composite effect, however.

They are drawing lines with colours, these clever designers. Nothing does it quite as skillfully or with as little effort. A neckline, wastline or hemline can be emphasized with so slender a thing as a line of soutache braid, and be the better for it. Blouses, even skirts, are cut into bits with bandings and inserts of another shade, and sometimes the contrast is very slight indeed. But it has its effect.

There are some clever presentations of what we know as the ombre effect, a subtle blending of colours, done in such a gradual manner that we do not realize how great a distance has been travelled until we compare the first with the last. There is nothing smarter in all the book of colour combination than the use of white to black through intermediate shades of gray. White, black or gray accessories are possible.

That mildly indignant person, who reminds one so forcibly of a bear with many heads and all of them sore—that baffled, amazed creature, "A middle-class father," has just written to the press again to the effect that when his son grows up he is going to advise him not to marry a girl with long fingernails.

He means, I gather, that a girl who takes very special pains to make her hands beautiful as well as merely clean and neat, must necessarily fight shy of housework.

It appears that the particular girl of whom he is speaking is afraid of doing cleaning in the house for fear of soiling her fingernails.

Father's Prophecy.

"What an eye-opener her sweet heart, who has never seen her in domestic surroundings, is going to have," prophesies the shocked M. O. F.—meaning, I take it, that it won't be a pleasant one.

Long ago, before middle-class fathers had earned their full title and were merely Somebody's Sons, the phrase "what a splendid wife she would make" was much in vogue. A young lady so described, always knew all about how and when to pick things that should be picked, and how to cook the things that should be cooked. She had made an intimate study of household management, and knew how to extract four farthings' worth of value for every penny she spent. "A good wife," they called her then. We should merely dub her an efficient housekeeper, and secretly pity her husband.

So today. How consistently bored he must have been! Had she spent her time polishing her nails instead of picking cabbages, as it were, he would certainly have felt a little exasperated now and then when the household arrangements went a trifle awry. But, after all, of the two, surely the present boredom is a more dangerous disease and one more liable to grave complications than are occasional fits of exasperation.



Left, touch of non-crash beige felt; right, a novel sport hat from Hollywood.

Below, hat of alpaca having skin, trimmed with fur mink.

## WHAT COLOUR CAN DO.

It is comparatively easy to explain the ability of colour to create effects; on the other hand, it is possible to change the entire meaning of the little by placing a question mark after it, and we are interested in general information concerning it. For nothing plays a greater part in our wardrobe than the colour card and our choice from its constantly growing list. We will answer the question "What colour will do?" first.

In a general way the reply is only the colour that is smart, and, of course, individually becoming, which resolves it into a question of what colours are newest, and from them which one shall the in-

dividual choose. What we have already chosen is not to be considered. We are buying new with a thought of fall in mind, and would know what colours will be sponsored in the new models that are due any time now—many have already appeared.

Colours come and go, but always navy blue is considered standard. Spring saw the midday and taller shades lighter than navy, but certain models in red and gain plain, by fall models go back to navy. And they're showing evening frocks in navy of the ultra-shiny, fire and lacquered satins, lace and chiffon. There are other blues, but none with the immediate importance of the one that is the oldest and the smartest.

Black, too, is standard. There are some very intriguing satin models being shown for daytime wear, and there are satins for evening as well, although taffeta, lace, tulle, velvet, Gorgeite and chiffon share the limelight with them. The black coat bids fair to be as important this coming winter, as it is this summer, but it will be lavishly fur-trimmed in white, gray, beige or brown. There will be black and white.

There will be some new shades of green, which will be a featured colour for both daytime and evening wear. Red will continue its present popularity for both daytime and evening, the new note of using a



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**GREAT INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH IN LONDON.**—Boys and girls of thirty nations took part in a grand festival of youth held by the League of Nations Union at the Crystal Palace, before a crowd of 25,000. Throughout the day children were singing, dancing, marching, taking part in sports, etc., the very embodiment of joy and youthfulness. The Junior Branch Japanese Contingent marching past the saluting base, General Sir Leslie Rundle taking the salute of the Grand Review of Youth.—(Sport and General).



**NOT REPULSE BAY,** but a bathing beach in Australia. Sydney is not only fortunate in having a wonderful harbour but has a number of bathing beaches. Bondi, one of the chief surf beaches is crowded on Saturdays and Sundays with bathers, most of whom come in their cars which they park in front of the beach and use as bathing machines. Picture shows surf bathers at Bondi.—(Sport and General).



**LIGHT CARS RACE ON DIRT TRACK FOR FIRST TIME.**—The Junior Car Club held their first official race meeting on the dirt track at Greenford, Middlesex. The meeting attracted many spectators and although the cars did not reach a very high speed, the record for the track was beaten by Capt. Frazer Nash whose average speed was 44.12 miles per hour. An interesting feature was a duel between a light Amicar and a motorcycle combination which the latter won easily. Picture shows the duel on the dirt track between Mr. Flow Taylor (490 Coventry Eagle Sidecar) and Mr. Humphreys (Amicar). A thrilling moment showing Taylor leading Humphreys round a difficult curve with the side car passenger in a perilous position.—(Sport and General).



**THE DRAMA OF THE STOWAWAYS ON THE S.S. "JERVIS BAY."**—It will be remembered that while on her voyage to England from Australia, Capt. Daniels, of the "Jervis Bay," sent out an S.O.S. for assistance as eight stowaways on board were causing serious trouble. The stowaways were landed at Colombo. Arthur Anderson, the Cuban leader of the stowaways, being landed under Naval arrest at Colombo.—(Sport and General).



**THE BLUE RIBAND OF THE AIR.**—The famous King's Cup Air Race finishes at Brooklands, Surrey. The great two days' air race round Britain (covering over 1,000 miles) for the King's Cup, was won again by Capt. W.L. Hope—last year's winner—who finished first at Brooklands during the classic 200 Mile Motor Race.—(Sport and General).



**THE ETON AND HARROW MATCH AT LORD'S.**—The famous ground was crowded for this cricket festival of youth, one of the most brilliant functions of the season. Eton eventually defeated Harrow by the small margin of 28 runs.—(Sport and General).



**HUGE KEROSENE BLAZE IN BOMBAY, INDIA.**—Half a million gallons of kerosene caught fire following an explosion at a storage tank containing 1,266,000 gallons. The fire burnt for twenty hours and illuminated the city.—(Sport and General).

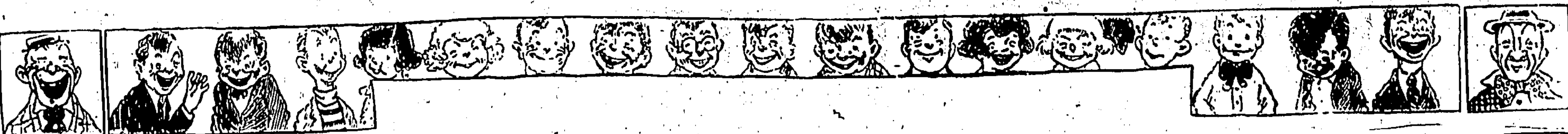


**UNUSUAL TEST FOR A MOTOR CAR AT LUTON.**—In order to prove that a standard model 20/60 Vauxhall car will stand the most strenuous conditions, a model was driven over rough surfaces and was tipped over a steep bank when it righted itself and was found to have only sustained superficial damage. The car is seen here rolling down the bank.—(Sport and General).



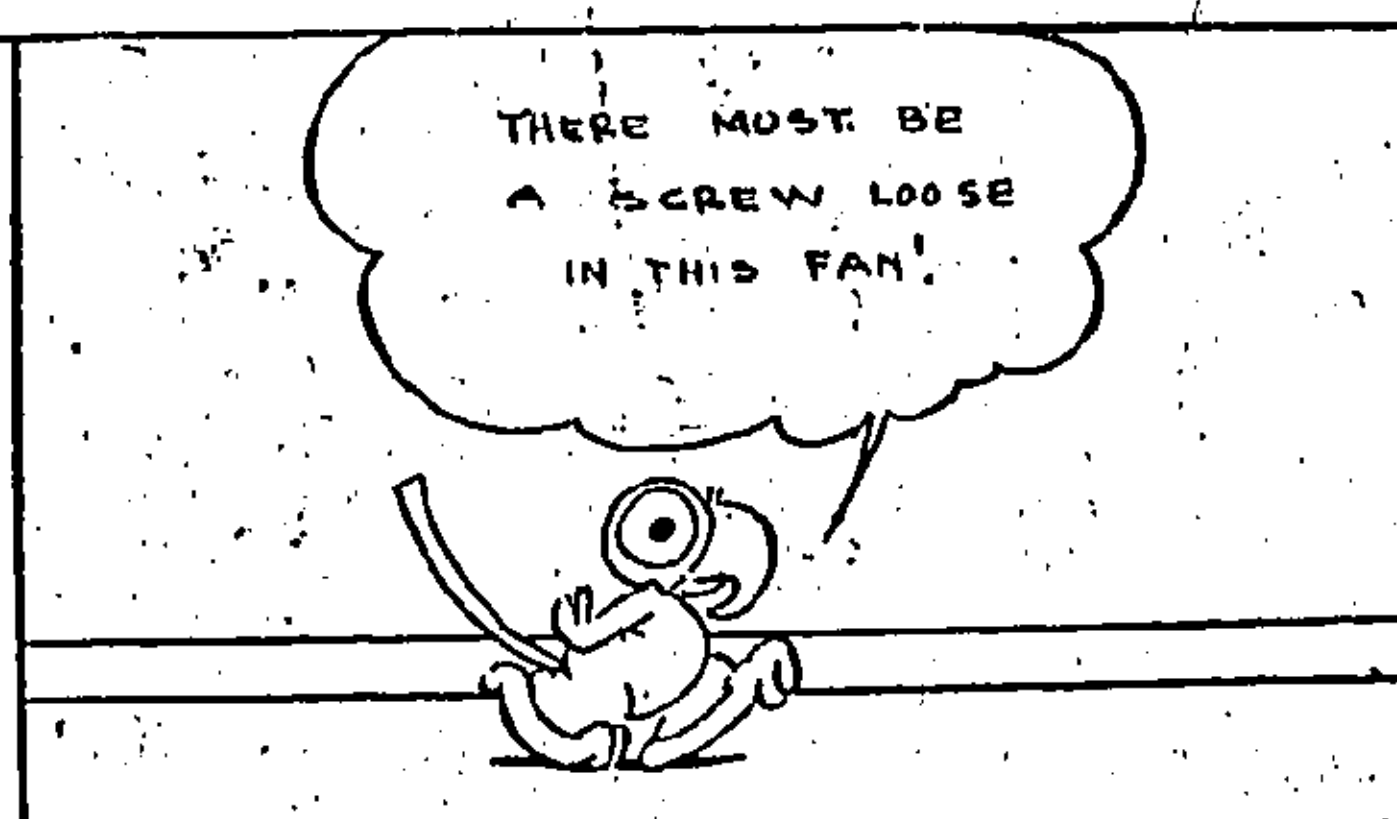
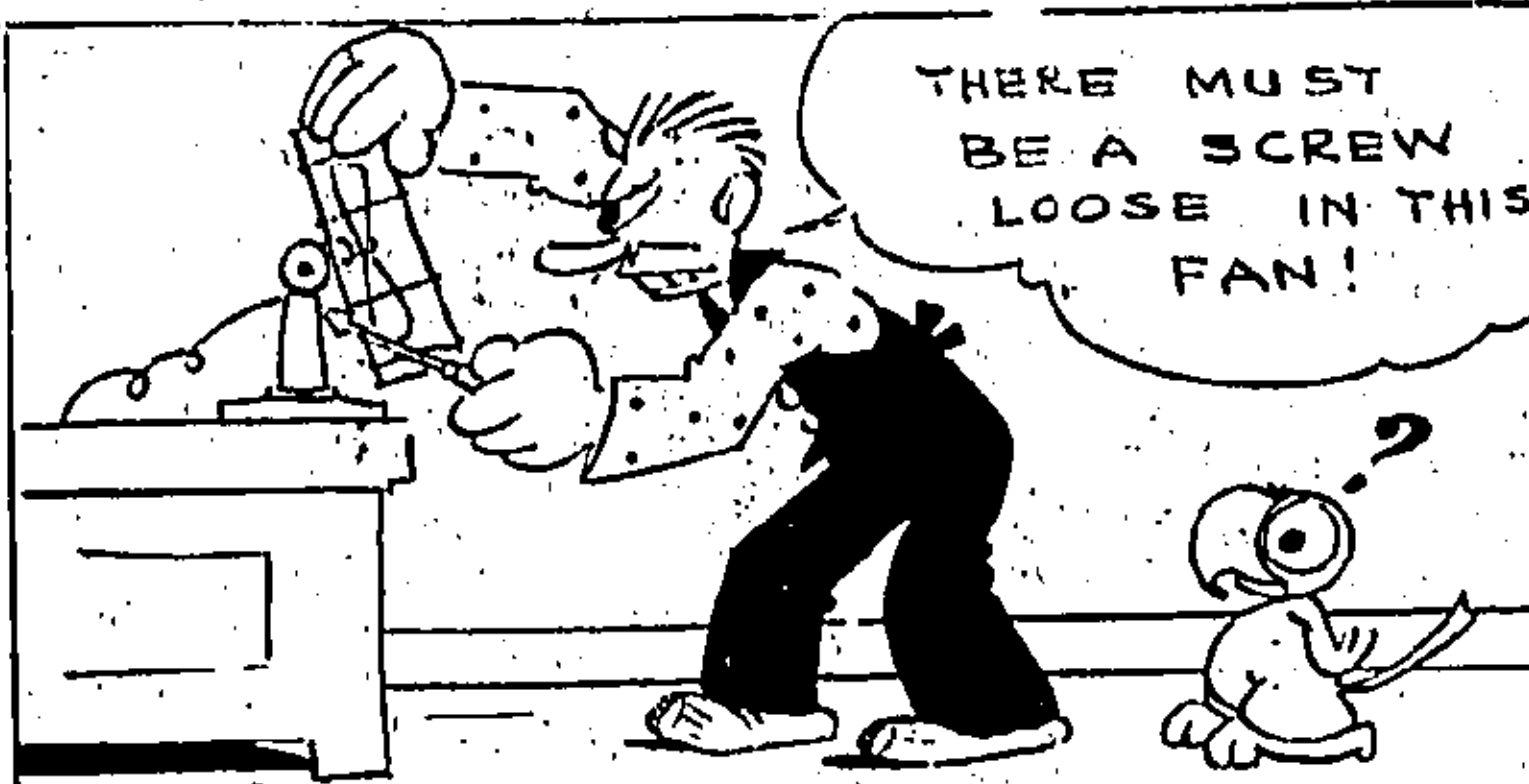
**A PRETTY SOCIETY WEDDING,** attended by social celebrities. The wedding of Miss Rosemary Lowry-Corry, daughter of Brigadier-General Noel Lowry-Corry, and Capt. Arthur Paget, M.C., one of the twin sons of General Sir Arthur Paget, took place at the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, London, on July 24. Lady Louis Mountbatten with her little daughter, Patricia, who made a charming little bridal attendant.—(Sport and General).



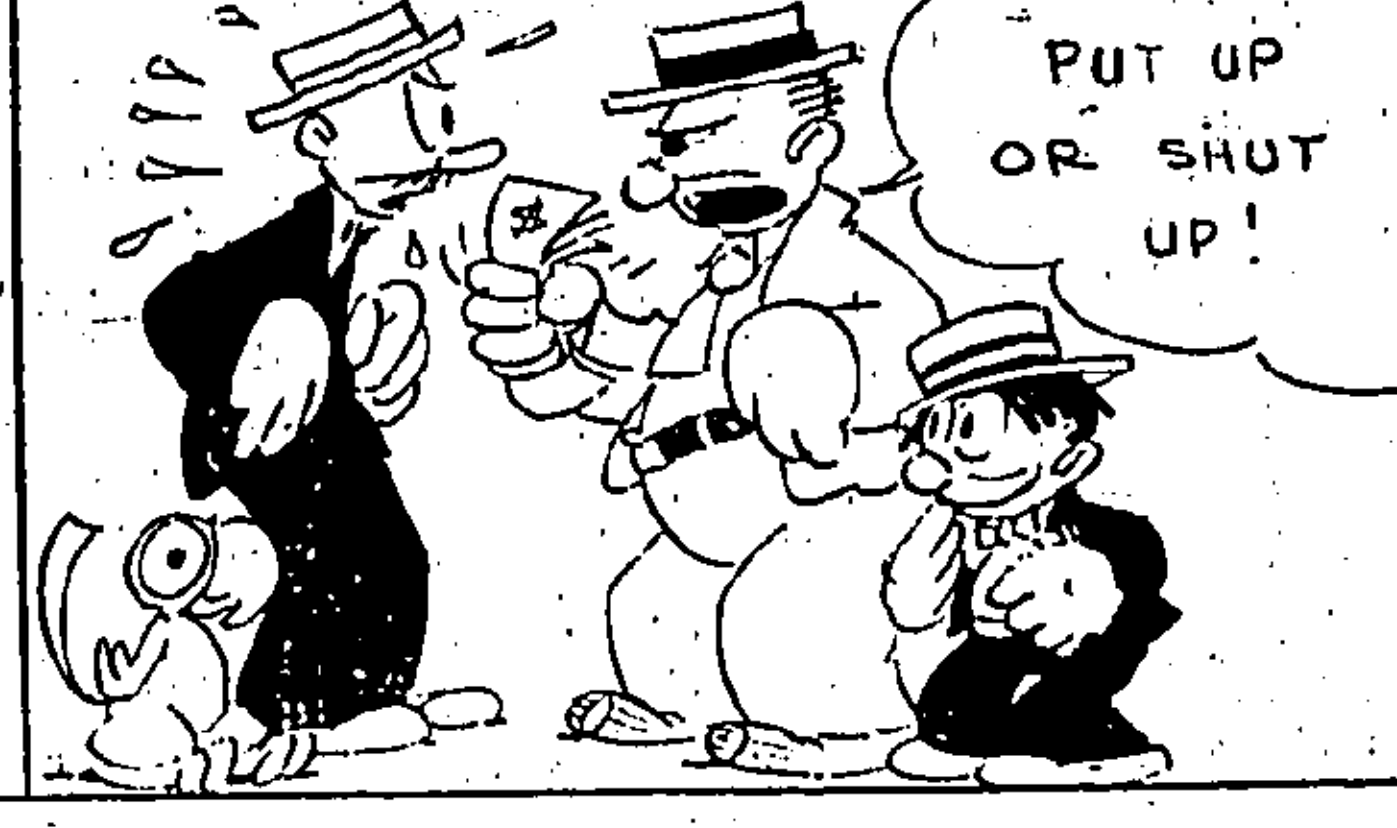
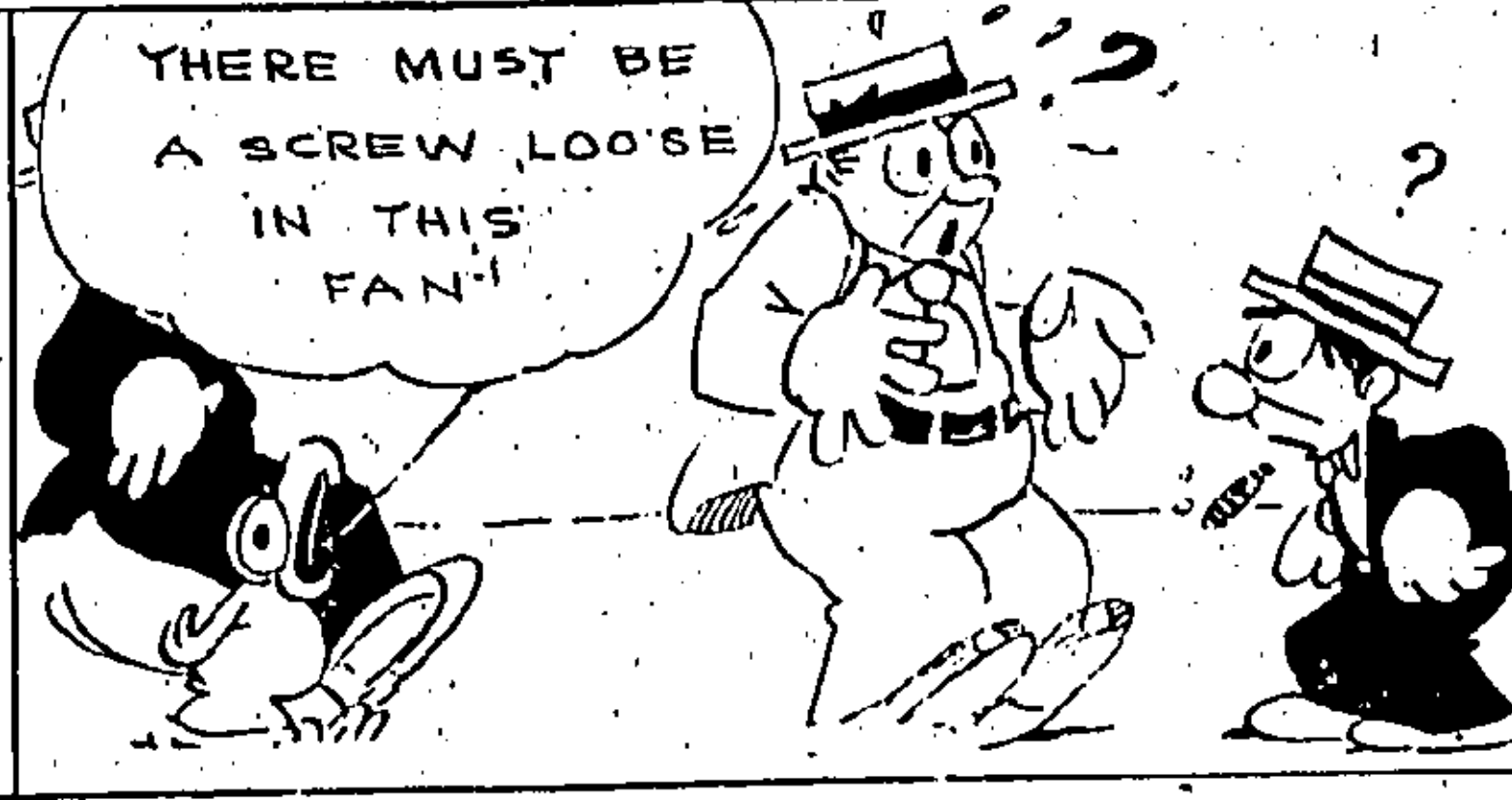
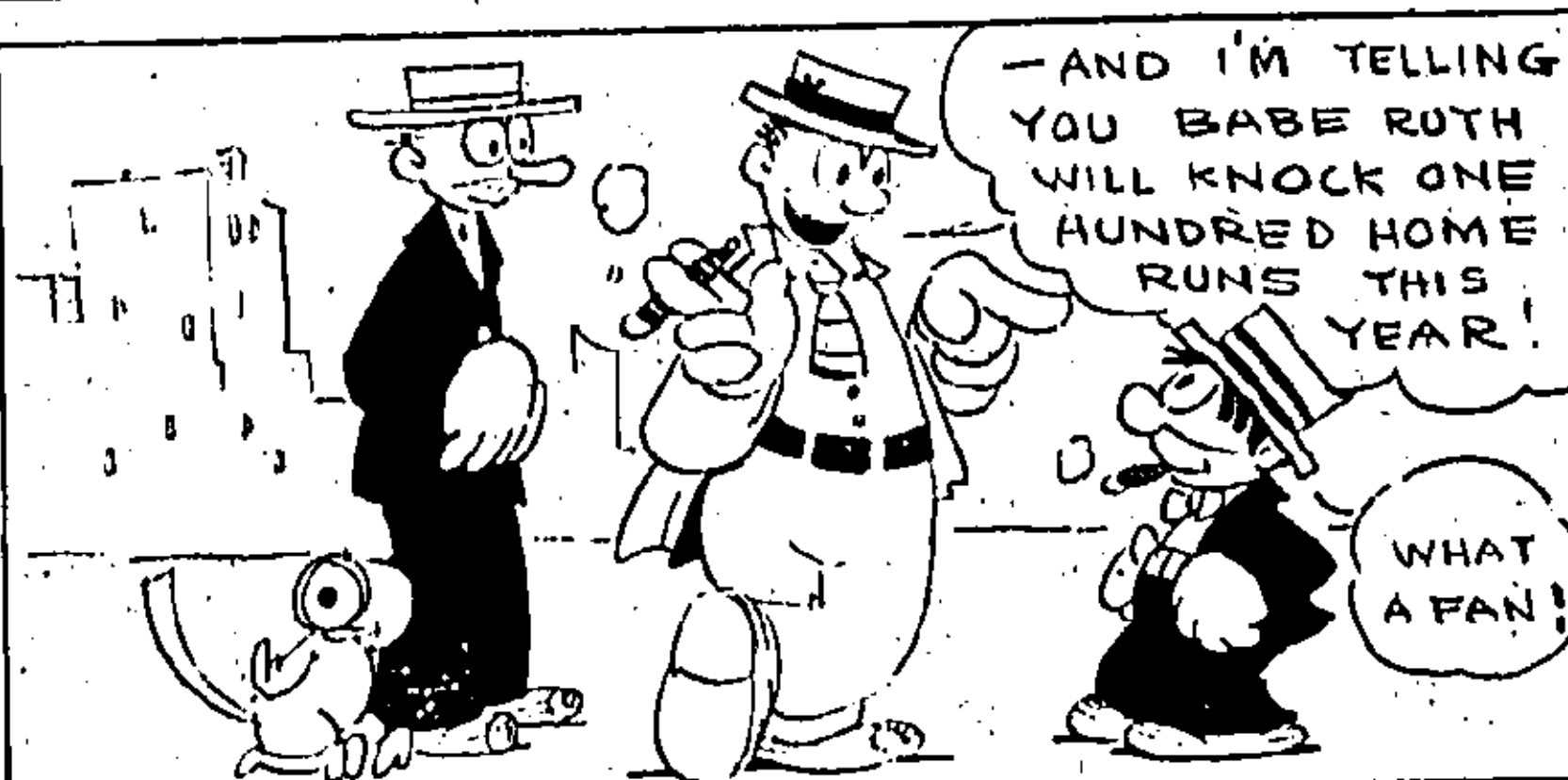


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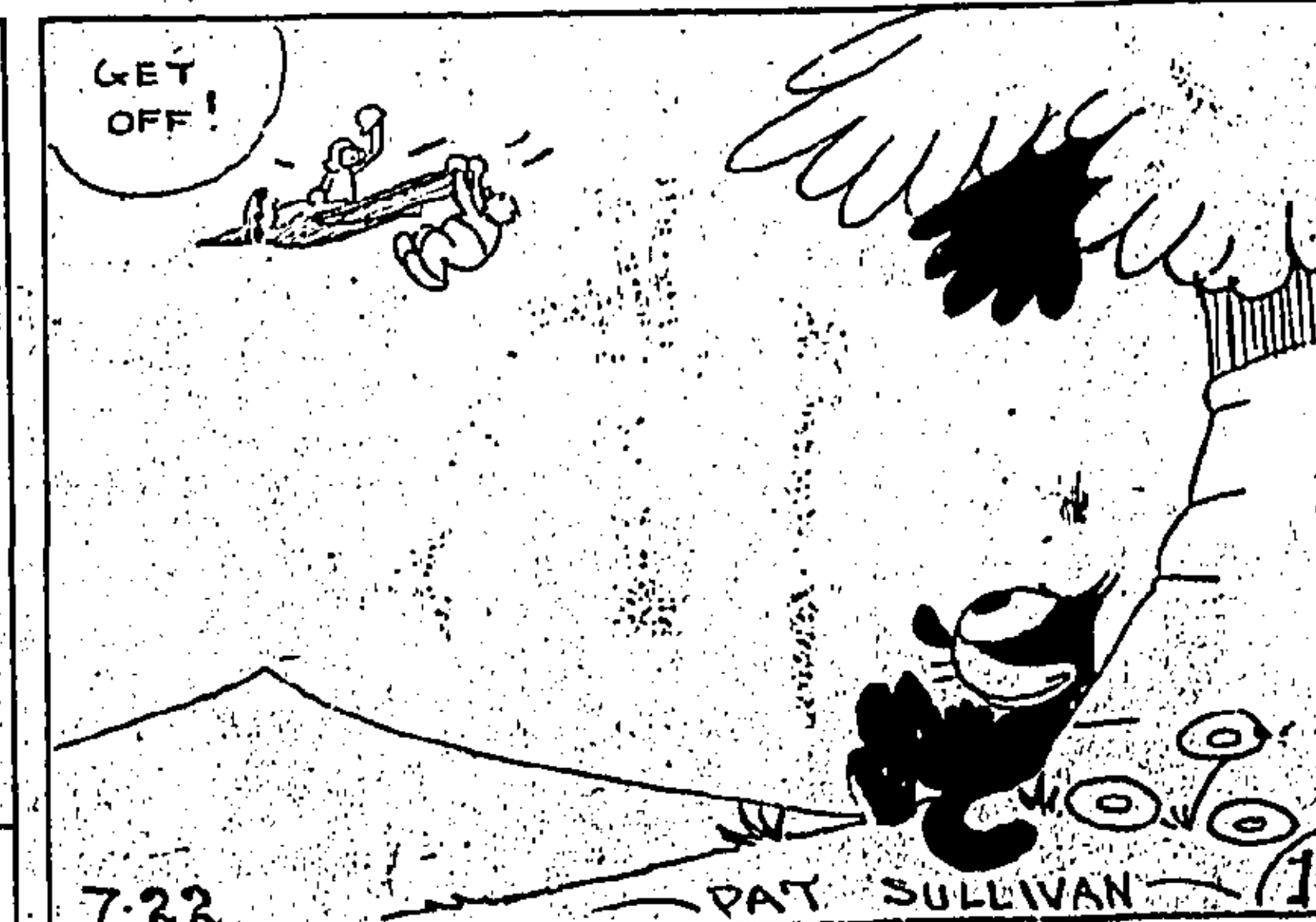
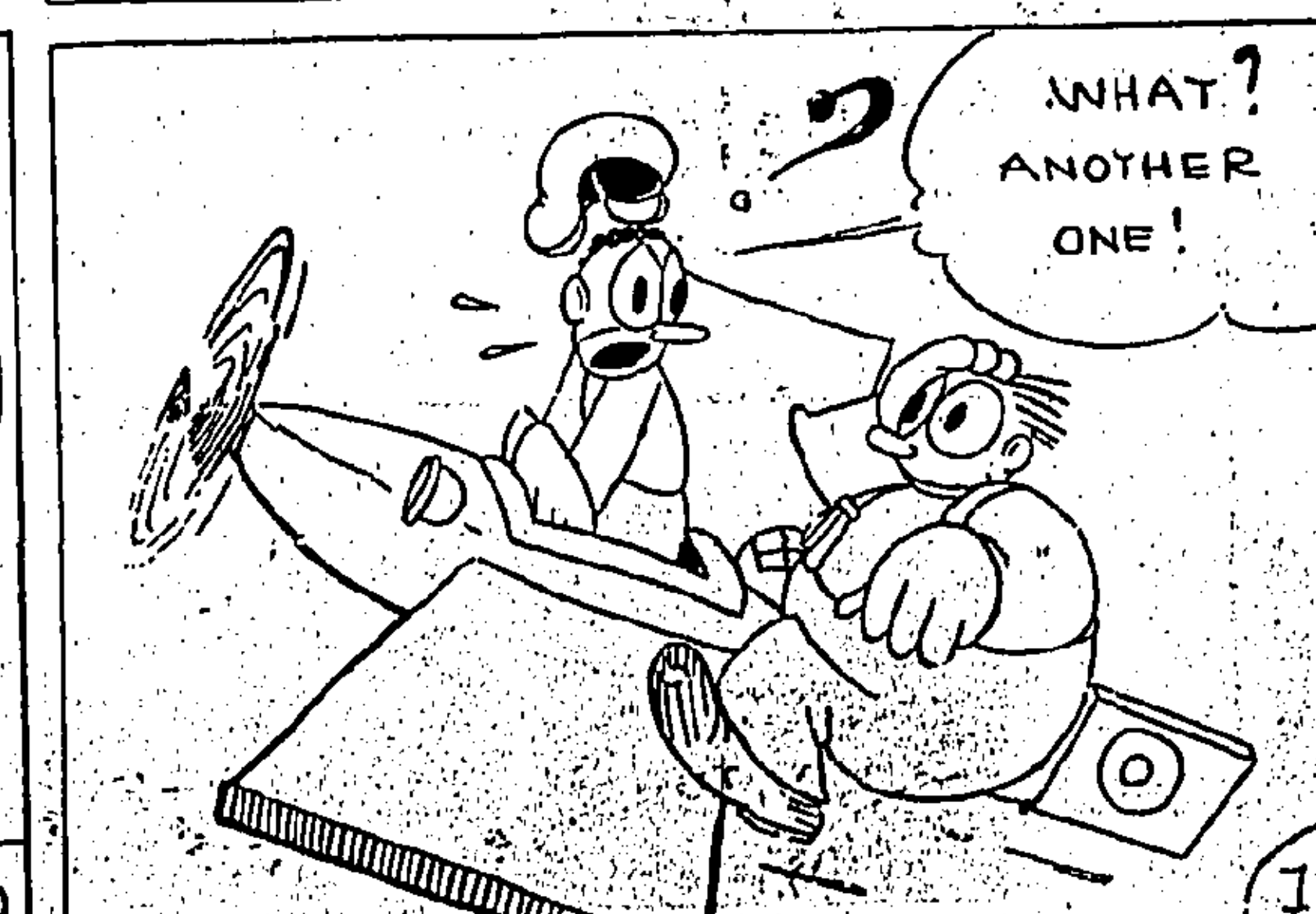
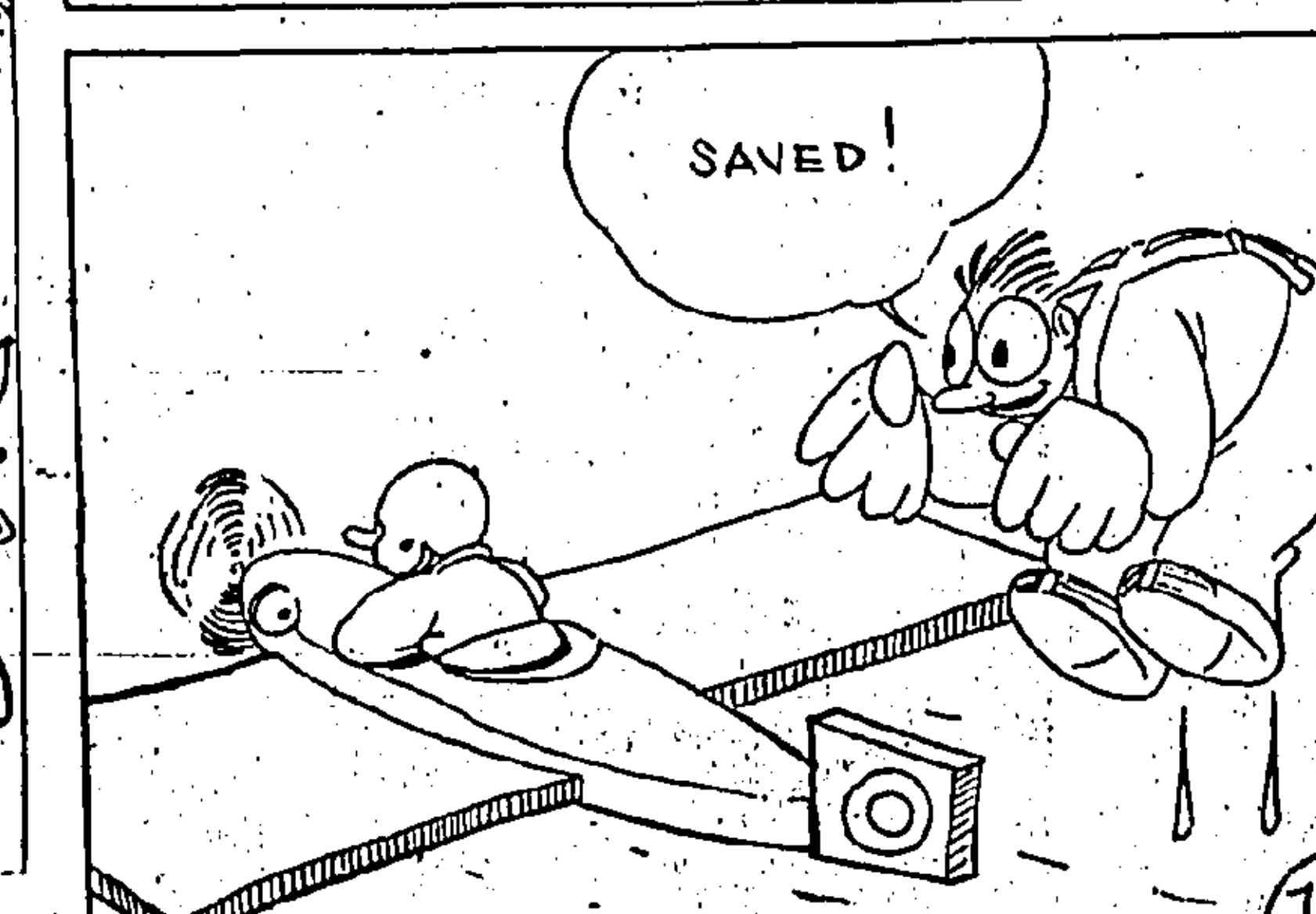
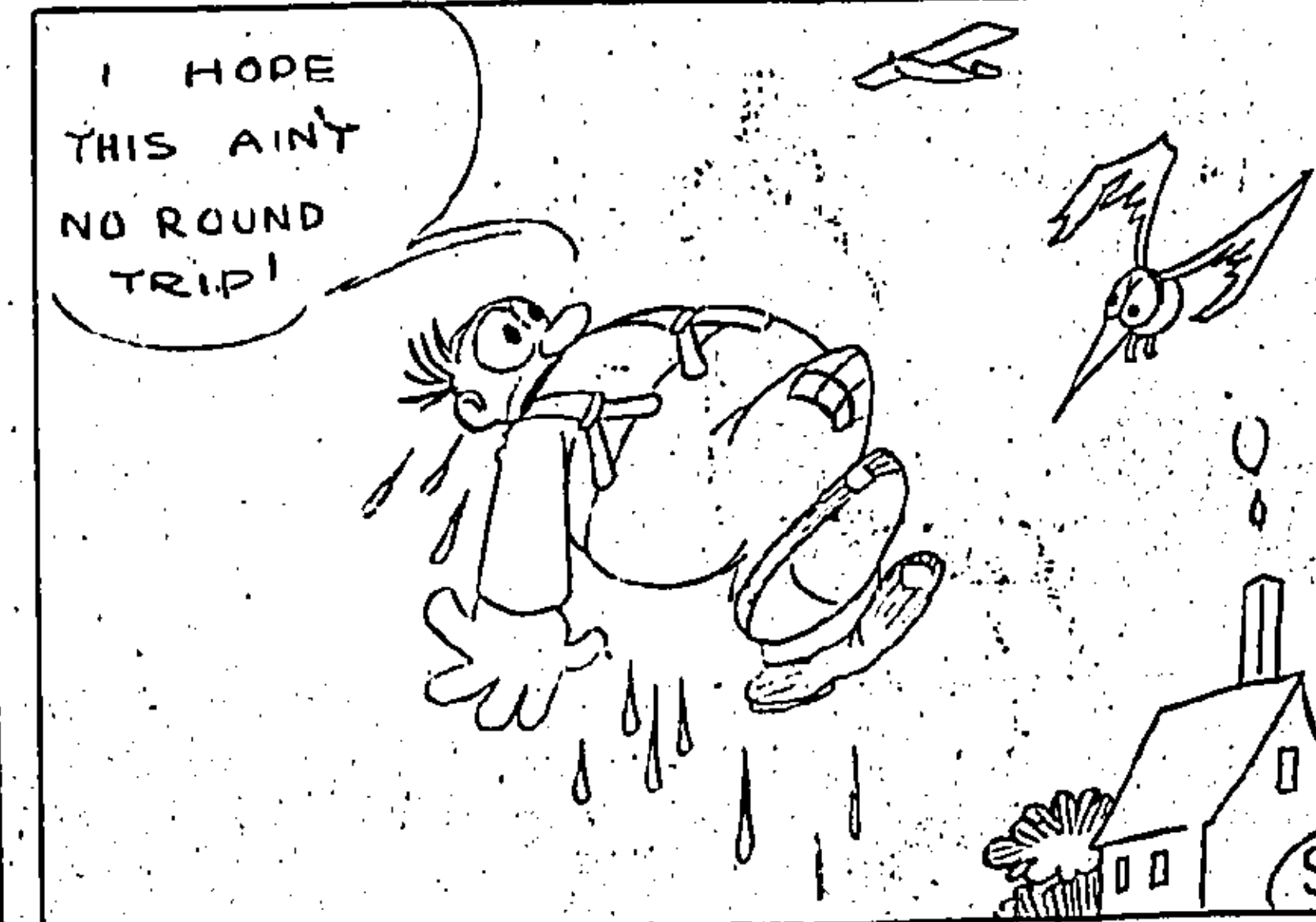
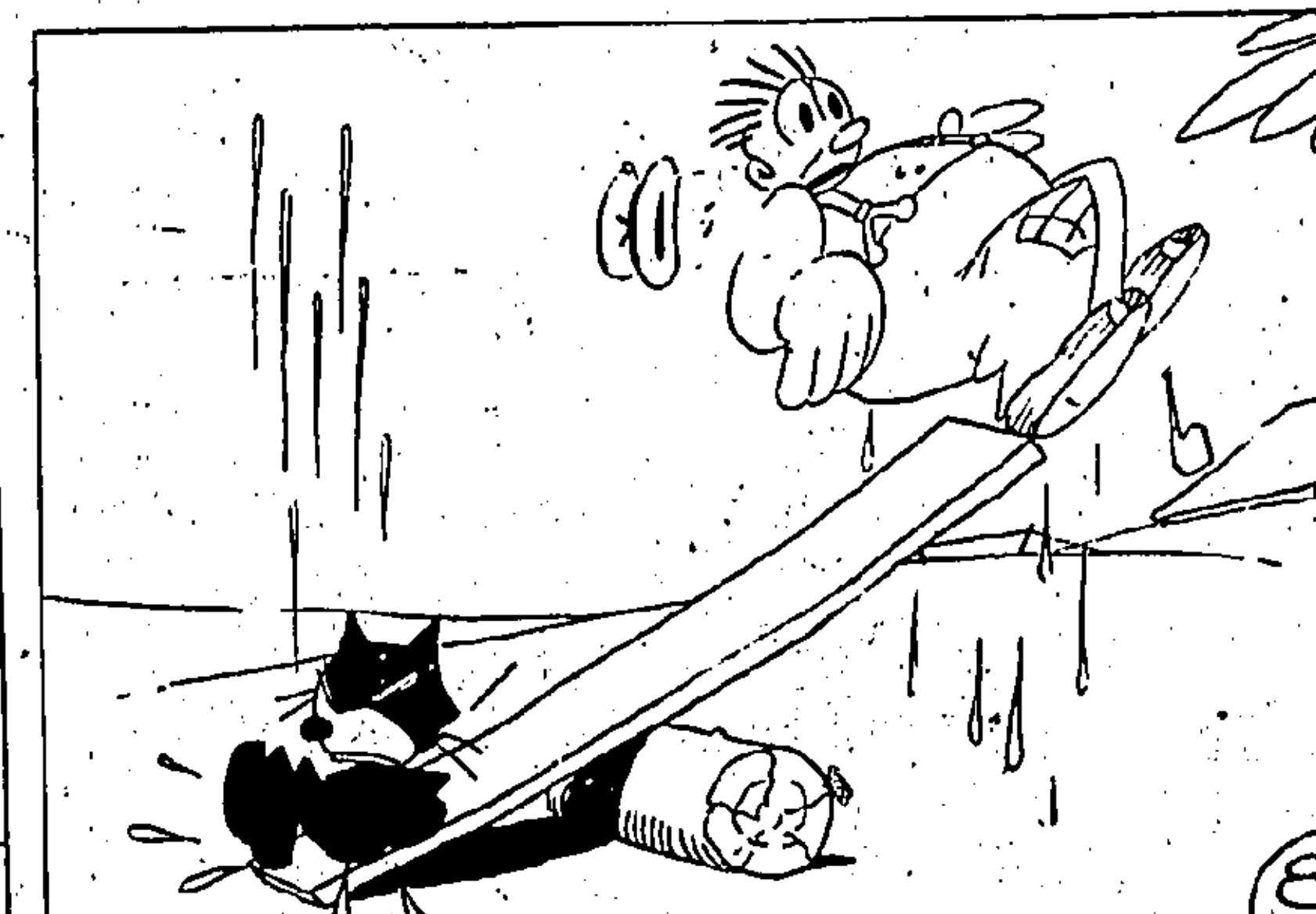
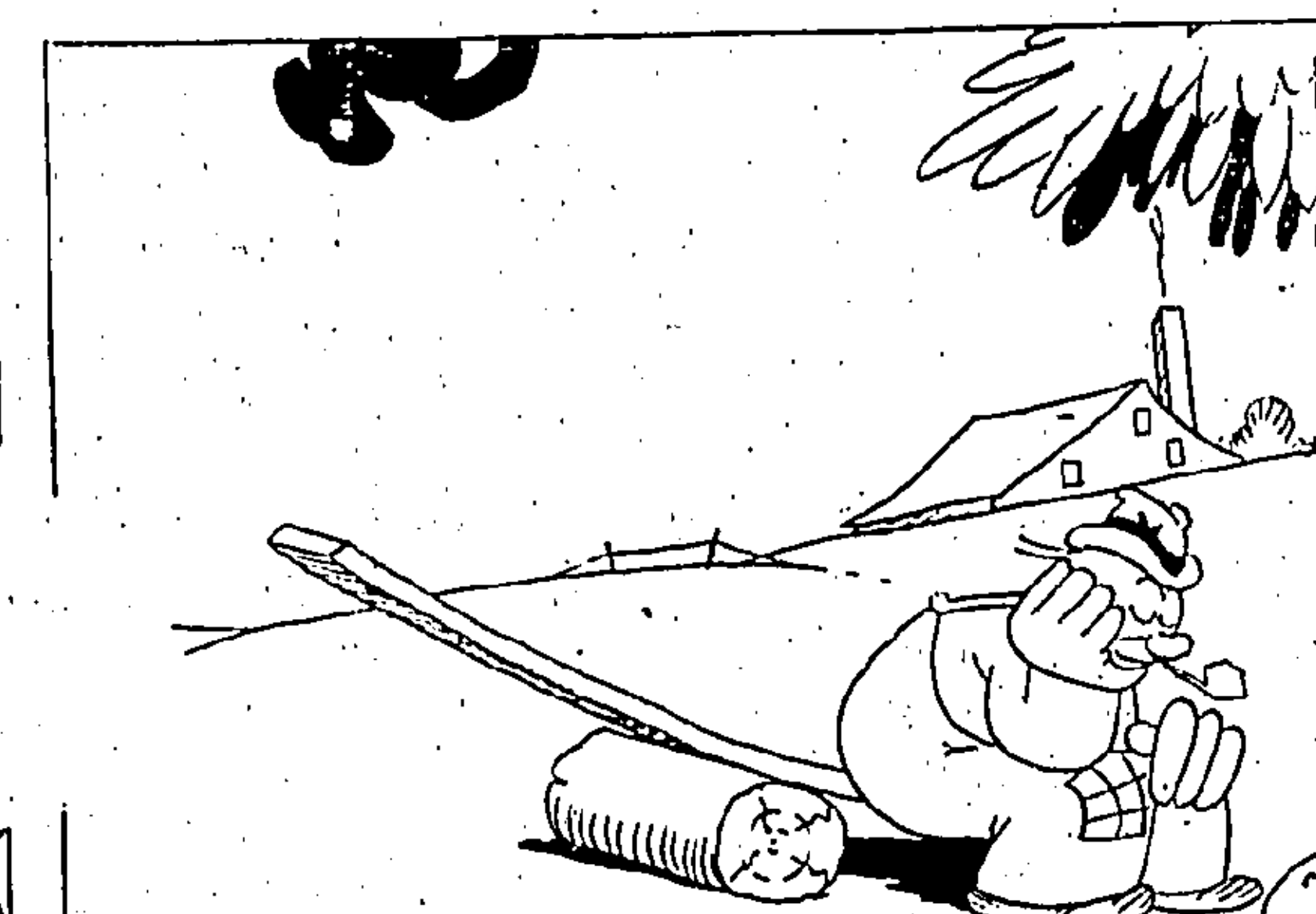
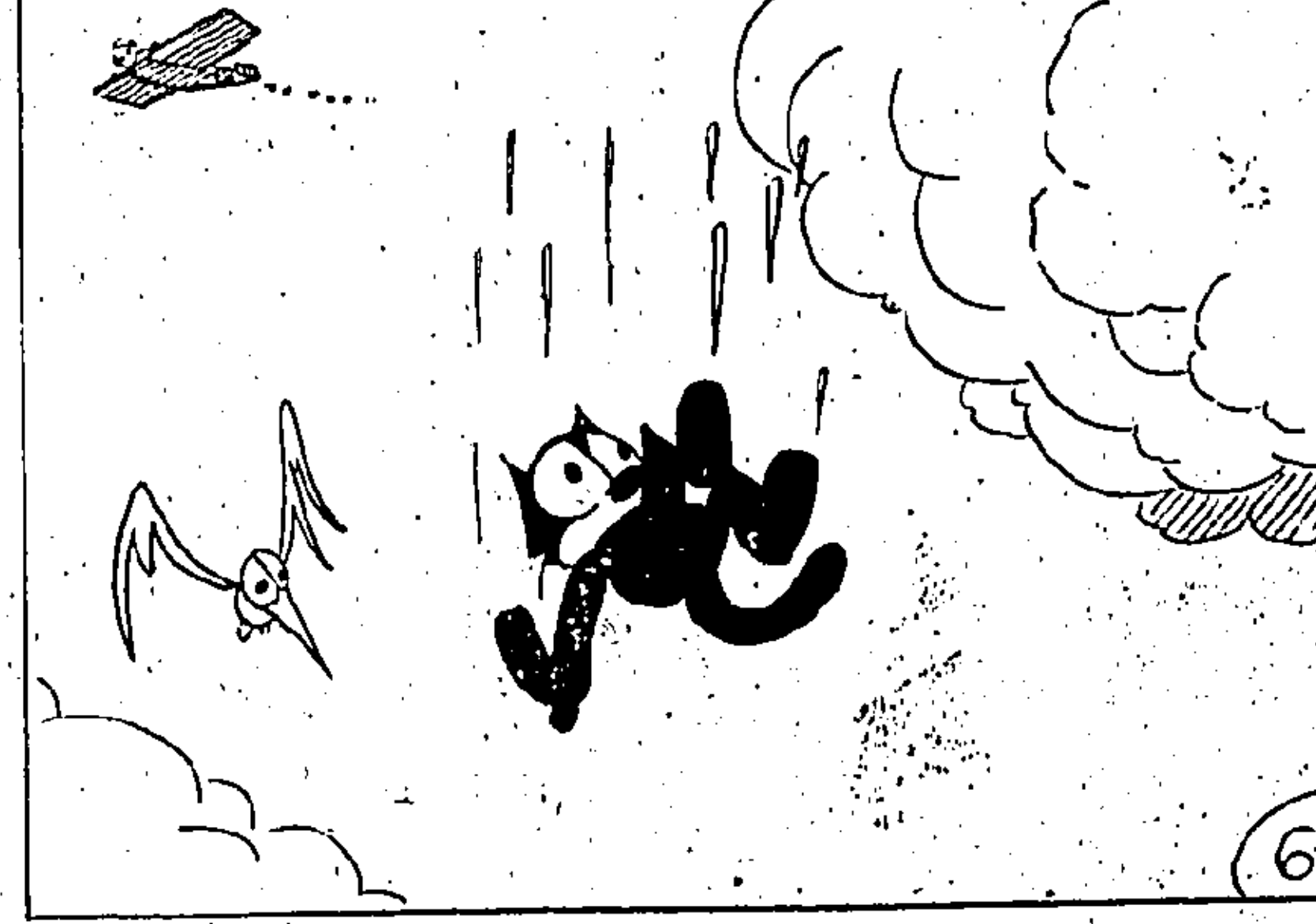
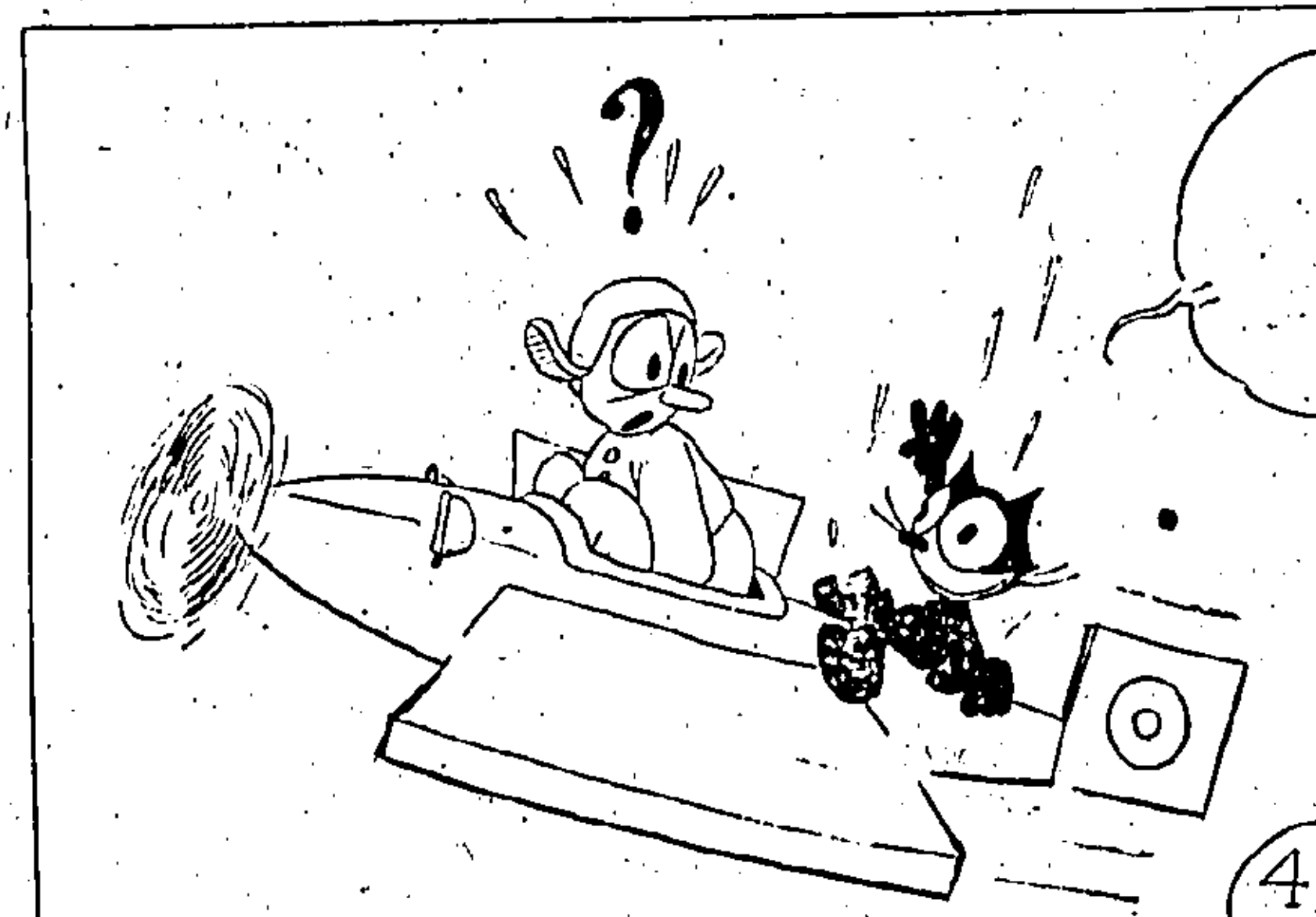
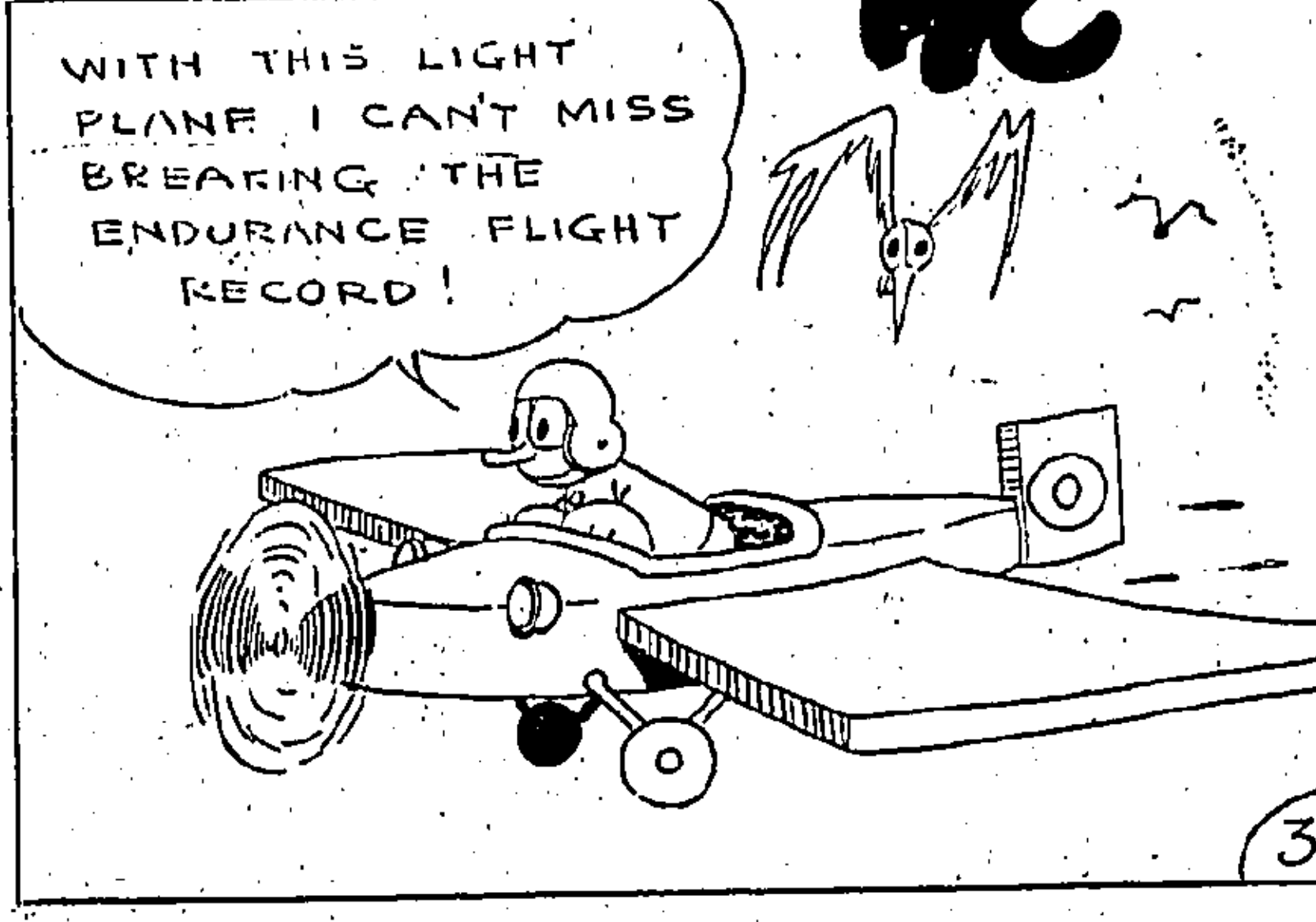
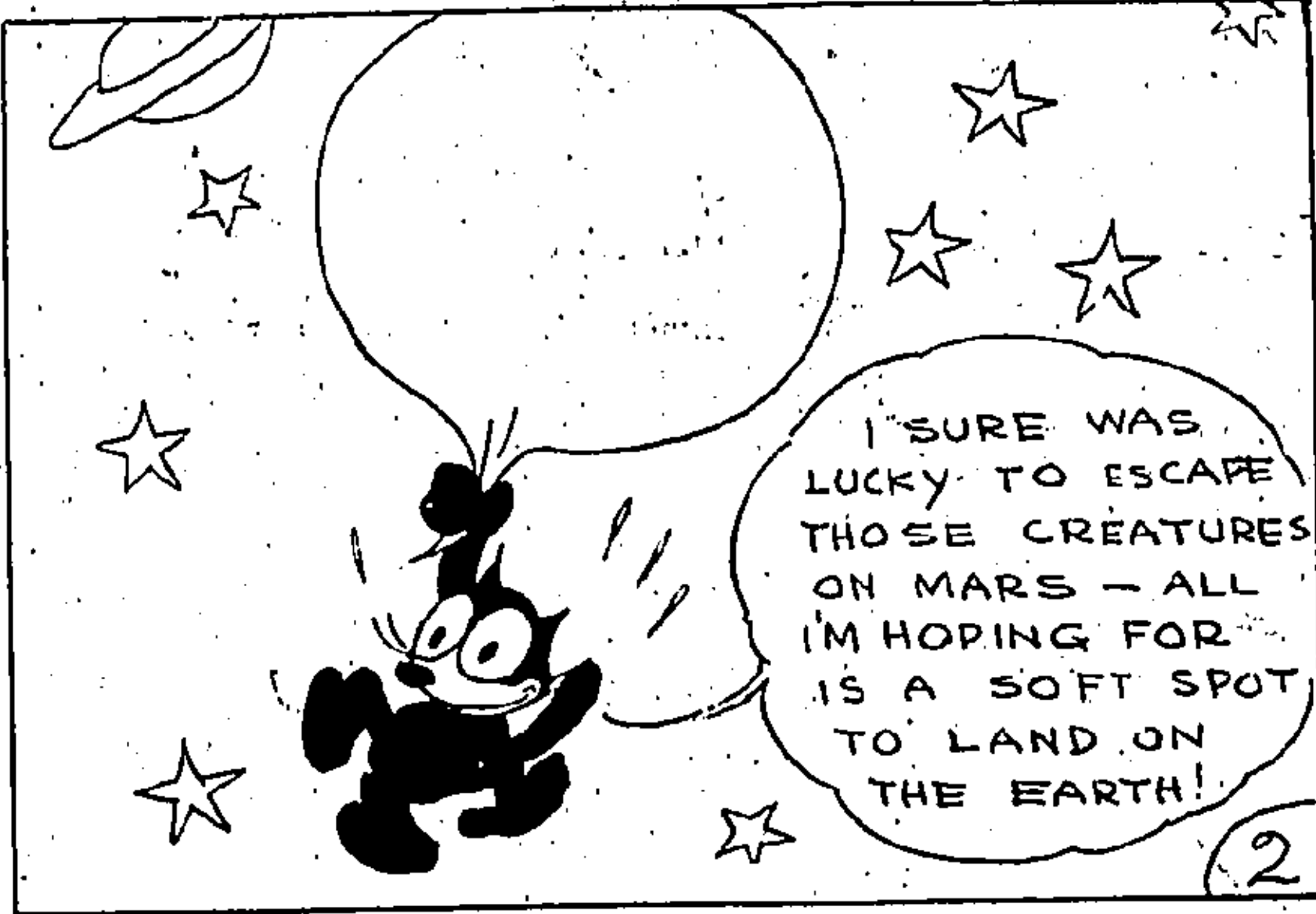
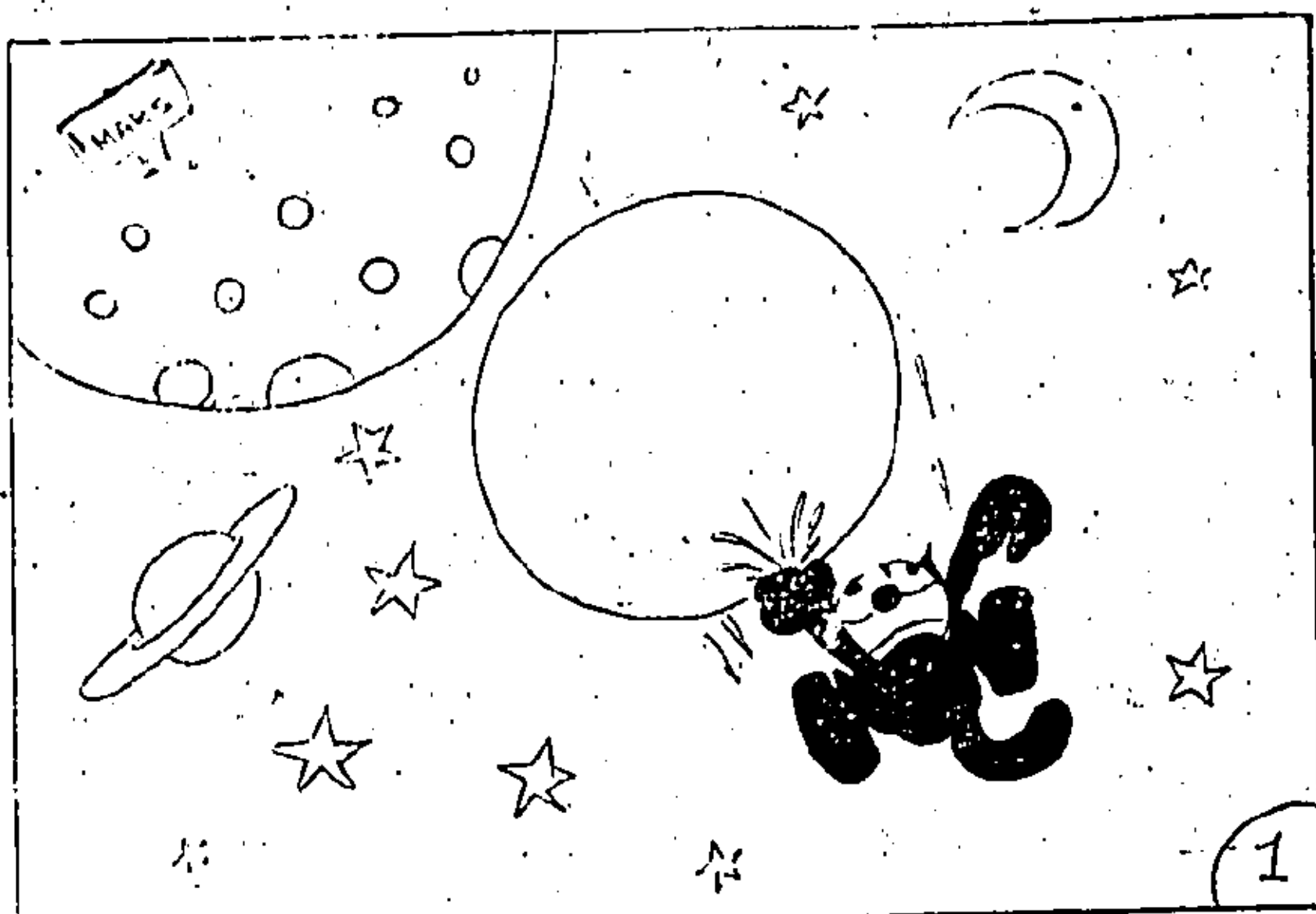
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## A LOOK AROUND.

(By The Mail Men.)

Whisperers have reached the me that all is not well Grouse? in the Police Reserve, at least, in the Chinese Company. Discontent is alleged to have arisen out of recent promotions or non-promotions, conflict of views as to whether there should be turn-outs or whether there should be even more of them, and the number of parades to be attended during the summer. One cause of grouching is said to be based on a promise (which I think was never made officially, if it was made at all) that trained men will be issued with revolvers which they will carry and keep at home. Judging by results and the smart turn-out of the men, I do not think anything serious is afoot. My experience of all such bodies is that somebody must have "an axe to grind."

The Police Reserve is not subject to punishment (except dismissal) unless it is called out, say, during an emergency. I fail to see, therefore, how anybody can be keen to carry a "gun" about in this hot weather. What I hear is that one or two of the men consider it smart to have a bulge at the hip, just to show that he has the privilege of carrying firearms which he would not get under ordinary circumstances. There may be a certain amount of "face" attached to it, but such a privilege at most allows one only to "show off." And there is always some danger attached, although not the danger of a Reservist being attacked just because he dons the uniform now and again. It is a fact that many Chinese who apply for arms' licences are turned down but the granting of a licence does not confer any special status on an individual. Membership in the Police Reserve does.

Supporters of the "On Getting" "get together" idea. Together. of H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., will be interested to learn that a Chinese youth desires to live in the European Y.M.C.A. at Kowloon. When it was pointed out that he could stay at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Bridge-street he replied that it was not mere accommodation that he sought, but the "atmosphere" of living among Europeans so that he might benefit by intercourse, by learning the English language and customs. It is a commendable idea, but the fundamental principles of the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon debar him from its achievement. There are other ways of seeking the company of foreigners. At moment, I am not prepared to express an opinion one way or the other.

Under the bare announcement of the death recently of a man in the garrison lies a story of a strenuous effort by the military medical authorities to combat the ill effects of the oppressive heat of this summer. In all, sixteen men were struck down by heat-stroke. Everything was done for them and fifteen recovered and are now back at duty. The man who died was the sixteenth. His condition improved at first, but he relapsed and died. In barracks, the heat is no worse than it is for the majority of residents; but out at the Shamshui huts, for instance, rays of the sun can be torturing, especially to white men who have not been out here before.

Ladies, a correspondent writes, wear bathing shoes when they go swimming. Do they do so merely for the effect of matching the colours of their costumes, he asks, or is there real need for them? Being a mere man, I cannot hope to give the correct answer. But it has struck me that on some bathing beaches men will do well to don protective footwear. One or two such places are notorious for the sharp-edged stones and barbed wire cut so badly. Others have very uneven approaches to the water. At high

tide, one can walk on fine sand; but at the majority of bathing beaches, the mud at the bottom is both oozy and sloshy when a foot treads upon it—a feeling which is altogether unpleasant. If somebody would only start the fashion, I think, men of the so-called sterner sex ought to be grateful.

After the closure of the fifth plenary session of the Nationalist Party executive, Marshal Li Chai-sum, the head of the Canton Government, has been visiting Mokanshun, a place seldom heard of down here in South China. More than once it was reported that Marshal Li was returning to Hong Kong. Political reasons apart, Marshal Li has been unable to leave. Were the charms of Mokanshun too strong for him? It is a picturesque mountain resort, full of breeze, and only ten hours from Shanghai, being therefore easily accessible. Hundreds of foreigners visit the place every summer. I have made a note of it and intend going there at the next opportunity a short holiday occurs. The China Travel Service, of Hong Kong, I note, recommends Mokanshun very strongly.

Last week I had Hong Kong's occasion to refer Water Rats. to Hong Kong's water rats, men who got away with hundreds of fathoms of rope and slabs of tin weighing a hundredweight. I have since learned that even anchors and chains are not immune from these raiders, but the men who steal such heavy articles must have a good diver in their gang. Wharves and buoys being available, steamers hardly ever need to use their anchors in Hong Kong harbour now. But big junks do. And occasionally, when they haul up, they find that their chain has been substituted by a rope attached to a lump of granite, to which their craft was secured before the chain was released and towed away with the anchor to be sold to some receiver on shore.

The holding of 178 Years in District Courts (the Army! Martial is bound to bring Pressmen into contact with Army men and I unblushingly admit that the information contained in the startling caption above this paragraph came from the Tommies. With age limits and other restrictions, it is impossible for any man to serve half that time; but Regimental Sergeant Major Parkinson, of the 2nd Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, can boast of a unique record. Members of his family have 178 years of Army service between them and that is good going. My informant could not say definitely whether it was continuous service but he thought so. Long may the R.S.M. function.

Here's another General's A.D.C. bit of Army news. Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston, of the Durham Light Infantry, who has been Aide-de-Camp to H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops in South China (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), is due back in about ten days after a holiday at home. Lt. Johnston has made many friends here and he will be remembered as a fine swimmer. He won the Army cross-harbour race one year and keen disappointment was expressed at his non-participation in the open event promoted by the Victoria Recreation Club. He will be back in time this year to get in some training and, if he is in the mood, make a shot for the blue ribbon of Hong Kong aquatics.

Captain A. G. "Another Soldier. Dobbie of the Sportsman Due. King's Own Scottish Borderers, who has been enjoying a holiday in Canada, is I learn, also coming back to Hong Kong but the date is not known yet. Capt. Dobbie was selected for Hong Kong's interport cricket team in November, 1926, shortly after his arrival here with the 2nd Battalion. He was chosen, principally, on the strength of his effective batting; but he proved to be a better bowler. His work with the new ball was very effective in the triangular tournament with Shang-

hai and Singapore last year, but his bowling improved at the expense of his batting. Capt. Dobbie is an all-round sportsman and has won honours at many games. He is due back in Hong Kong before the Borderers leave the station.

Satisfied with the sum of \$1 given him, an old man picked himself up from the gutter and proceeded on his way. This incident occurred a few days ago, when a Chinese ancient was knocked down by a youthful cyclist. The cycle hit the pedestrian from behind, sending him with some force into the gutter. Cut on his head, the old man at once blew his whistle and generally caused a "big noise." A crowd soon collected, the old man expostulating, while the cyclist stood by frightened. One of the crowd suggested that the cyclist should give the pedestrian some money and others supported the suggestion. The cyclist, poor fellow, at once agreed and produced from his shoe a few dollars wrapped in a piece of paper. From this he extracted \$1, and handed it over to the injured one. The latter accepted it, but not without again expostulating. Rising to his feet, apparently forgetting the wound on his head, he proceeded on his way, satisfied.

People of different countries have their respective superstitions, but the Chinese, I may say, are among the foremost of them all. Many years ago, after the big fire at the Race Course, rumour was afoot that before the outbreak some people who lived in the vicinity had seen, some nights prior to the outbreak of the conflagration large fire balls falling down from the sky while ghosts dressed in red were seen walking in and out of the marshed stands which were erected for the races. Again, after the fire of the "Sui Tai," the same rumour is now circulating among the Chinese community. It is alleged that on nights previous to the fire, bogmen who moored their boats near the doomed wharf saw fire balls and sparks fall from the sky on to that particular spot. They had expected a fire, which unfortunately did break out on the next day. The Chinese believe that an ill omen always predicts some thing extraordinary that is going to happen, but, unfortunately, these omen never leak out before, but always after, the outbreak.

Some time last week, a For the steam launch loaded Ghosts, with large quantities of paper clothing, etc., steamed leisurely around the harbour, with a number of female passengers on board. This was because of a superstition among the Chinese in connection with the "Yu Lan Festival," or "All Souls Day." The Chinese believe that people who lost their lives in the merciless sea will become "wandering ghosts," and these and all other ghosts are supposed to enjoy a freedom of thirty days during

this month. As a means of consoling the dead and enriching the devils, the women formed a club, the members of which contribute a limited sum every month until the present month when sacrifices are offered to the ghosts. Junks and steam launches were engaged for cruising up and down the harbour, burning paper money, paper clothing, joss paper and incense sticks as they went along. Small paper boats fitted with small oil lamps are launched into the sea. These paper boats, it is said, are provided for the ghosts. It is quite an interesting spectacle to see these miniature paper boats tossing about in the blue expanse of the sea at eventide.

or, being cast as a beautiful young girl who outwits a gang of sharpers in her endeavour to save the honour of the man she loves. Others in the large cast include Warner Baxter, Lawrence Gray, May Allison and Holbrook Blinn.

Four people were killed when a motor-car turned a complete somersault near Beauvais, France, recently.

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Based on the famous opera "La Boheme," the picture of that name will have its final showings to-day at the World Theatre. As Mimi, Lillian Gish gives one of the most remarkable portrayals of her varied career. John Gilbert, Renee Adoree and Karl Dane, all of "The Big Parade" fame, all give convincing performances in their respective roles.

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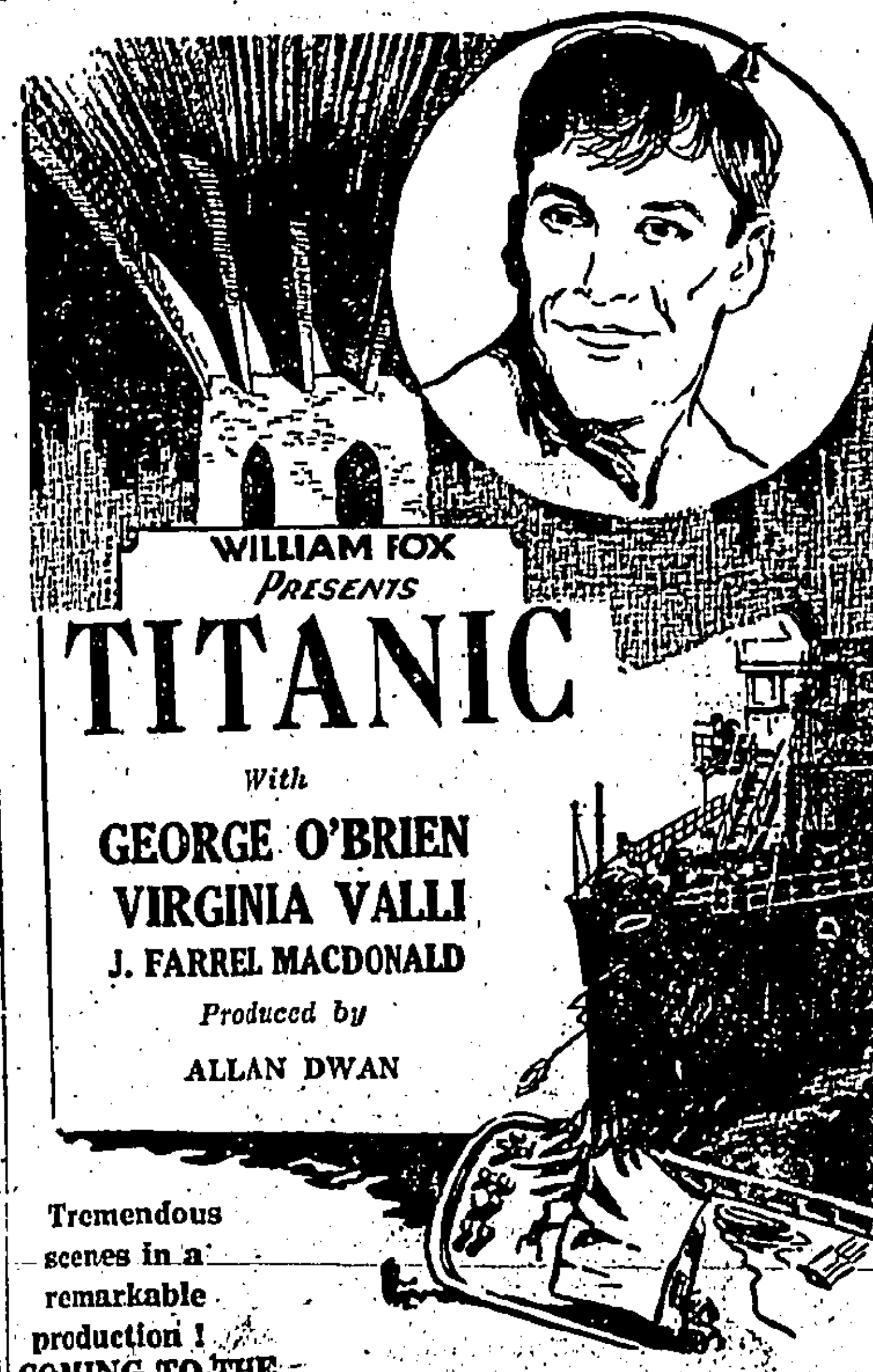
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## FROM OVERSEAS.

"THEY LITTLE KNOW OF  
ENGLAND," ETC.

KEEN MEMORY.

[By Evelyn Sharp.]

It is very entertaining to be taken about London by a visitor from overseas. We begin by thinking that we are going to take him about, and we end by discovering how little we know of England that only England knows. He, on the contrary, who knows the Dominions too, knows an England we have almost forgotten, because of our tendency to allow the events of yesterday to obliterate those of the day before. We remember vividly the last thing that happened to us, not the thing before last, which may sometimes be the thing that goes on for ever.

But the visitor from overseas, remembering, unforgettingly, the eternal things that do not change, also keeps stored in his mind all the little transient details that to us have passed like a watch in the night. In exile, he reads and notes everything that has happened in the old country since he left it—every royal marriage, every change of Government, every industrial upheaval, every theatrical vogue, every button that is changed in our soldier's uniform and every submarine that is scrapped—all the things, big or little, that go to make up his England, the England that in his eyes does not change in spite of many changes. So when he refuses to be swept off his feet by the new Regent-street or the new Labour party, by one-way traffic or Russian ballet, he is not being in the least superior or "colonial." Seeing at last with his own eyes what he has read about for years, he is merely confirming anticipations.

### THE BIG BEN OF DREAMS.

It comes with the shock of revelation to find, as one goes about day after day with one of these visitors from the other side, how the old loyalties remain unconquered by the new, though the new in their way have become as indelible, and nothing could ever now destroy in our exile his proud citizenship of the New World. Hundreds of times do we hear Big Ben strike without any more emotion than is provoked by the sound of the dinner bell. But our guest stands entranced in Parliament Square as it booms out the hour, and then turns to us and says: "Every evening, when I sit down to dinner at seven o'clock, I turn on the radio to hear Big Ben strike midnight." Every evening, to make sure, I suppose, that England is still there. Just as, although he would furiously reject the idea that he wants to change the government of the Dominions into a limited monarchy and retains enough of his old ironic humour to smile at mob enthusiasm for a baby princess, he proves happily round Buckingham Palace and St. James's to see that other things, which to him equally spell the thing he calls England in his mind, have changed as little as Big Ben.

We go to Madame Tussaud's because that, too, is a pillar of the Old World; and here again it is he who takes us round. For it is not we who can recognise at a glance every famous general and modern statesman, every living royalty and President. Over here, where celebrities of this kind are as common as peas, most of us would scarcely cross the road to see one of them; and we take their features for granted. But when they go on an overseas

tour—and a month in the company of an overseas visitor leaves us with the impression that they do little else—every man, woman, and child in the Dominion turns out to see them. They stand, like Big Ben, for an England to which distance lends a magic enchantment that we sometimes fail to realise in our dealings with these exiles who are dear to us.

THE POLICEMAN WHO KNOWS. But the London policeman does not fail to realise it. Perhaps he knows that he too stands for the unchangeable in the British Empire; and that is why, at the first sound of a voice with an overseas lilt in it, he is transformed from a monument of impassivity into a friend and a father. He takes our exile literally by the arm, conducts him to safety across the one-way street, exchanged war experiences with him, and tells him in the same breath the Court fixtures for the week and the best places from which to view them; in short, so completely grasps the overseas mentality that we are left feeling utterly inadequate to show anybody round the London that we foolishly thought we knew, because we had never left it to make a New World.

There are others too, besides the policeman. We stand in the flower department of a large store—I am sorry, but after my recent experiences I can no more call it a shop than I can call the morning mail a post—and we discuss the superiority of the Dominion peony and the inferiority of the Dominion larkspur. In an instant a grand vizier in a frock-coat is at our side with a large bunch of what he calls delphiniums, and our friend is being conducted to the main entrance in order that he may study the tints of our English varieties by daylight. We others, who merely grow larkspur in our back gardens, might talk about them till we are as blue in the face as they, and no frock-coated personage would throw us so much as a petal. Nor does the omnibus conductor ever take us tenderly out of the wrong bus and lead us down the street to the right one, with added instructions for future guidance. Far from it, indeed! We who live in little old London, who have, in fact, made London what it is for overseas visitors to lose themselves in, we are flung contemptuously out of the omnibus on the pavement—I mean, of course, the sidewalk—whether it is the right or the wrong omnibus.

For something like a month of golden days we have basked in reflected glory. The man in the street, the man in the store, the official, and the commoner have all combined to show us an England whose existence we had almost forgotten, and showed it to us simply because we were accompanied by a visitor who called a lift an elevator and a bus ticket a check. We found it a very pleasant England to pass a summer month in, an England full of kindly, satisfied people who do not seem to want it changed, and are content with flags and bands and scarlet uniforms, and little princesses and big generals and wax celebrities and well-wooded flower beds and perfect lawns, and lots of cricket and strawberry ices—I mean of course, ice-cream. A pleasant England indeed, if that were all of it and if only one could feel it were quite real! But we weakly stifle the horrid impression that it may not be, because, real or unreal, it is the England that makes life endurable to the dear exiles we send inexorably overseas to build a New World.

Rosalind Piggott, aged 83, was found hanged in an outhouse in White Cross-street, Brighton.

Writing in the London "Evening News," Max Pemberton, well-known English writer, says: "I read in an overseas journal a discussion as to which is the most beautiful city in the world; and I am not surprised that a writer names Quebec, and names it with emphasis."

We cannot wonder at the literary enthusiasm Quebec has provoked. "The majestic appearance of Cape Diamond," says one writer, "the fortifications, the cupolas, and minarets, like those of an Eastern city, blazing and sparkling in the sun, the noble, basin-like sheet of purest silver, in which might ride with safety the navies of the world, the graceful meanderings of the River St. Lawrence, the fertile valley dotted with picturesque habitations, the distant falls of Montmorency... the grim purple mountains, the barriers to the North, form a picture which is no exaggeration to say is unsurpassed in any part of the world."

It is easy to applaud such chauvinism when one has set foot in Quebec and been received with that courtly hospitality for which its people are famous.

Naturally, romance is never far away from such a picture. There is a story told of the Lord Nelson and of one Miles Prentice, who served under Wolfe, and subsequently served here. This fellow

opened an inn to which the soldiers and sailors resorted, and among them in the year 1782 came the Captain Nelson, then commanding H.M.S. Albemarle, of 26 guns.

"Miles Prentice," says a writer,



"...a black, Miss Simpson, daughter of Sandy Simpson, whose charms so captivated the embryo Admiral, that when his vessel had sailed from port he clandestinely returned for the purpose of wedding the maid of the inn, which purpose was defeated by Mr. Alexander Davidson, then a Quebec merchant, who, with the assistance of his boat's crew, forcibly carried

## THEATRE IN INDIA.

THE VIEWS OF AN OLYMPIC GUEST.

"Highbrow" STUFF.

Not all critics of our British drama of the moment are either hostile or contemptuous. It was to come across an extremely well-equipped observer who had quite a number of good words to say for it. He was Mr. G. D. Sondhi, of the Indian Education Service, who was over in England primarily as secretary to the Indian Olympic team.

On his way to Amsterdam Mr. Sondhi, who happened to be keenly interested in the drama as a force for good, made a round of the British theatres with a view to seeing what ideas—and actual plays—he could take back with him to India. His views were not by any means those of a crank or impractical idealist—Mr. Sondhi is an all-round sportsman with a wide knowledge of men and affairs, and was a particularly good five-miler in his younger days. On the other hand, his views were not always those of the average London playgoer.

The things that stirred him most were not the big West End successes. He preferred what is roughly known as the "highbrow" stuff. He was anxious to know about Mr. Terence Gray's work at the Cambridge Festival Theatre, Mr. Bernard Fagan's at Oxford, the Welwyn "cup-winners," the repertory theatres at Birmingham and Liverpool, and Mr. Nugent Monck's little Maddermarket playhouse at Norwich, to which he made a special visit. Of the London plays he was much impressed by Mr. Galsworthy's "Justice," but the musical comedies—American and otherwise—left him cold.

Folk Drama.

It was very pleasant to know from Mr. Sondhi that, however, conscious of short-comings we may be, he has found very much more thoughtful and wholesome life in the English theatre than he had been led to believe from the examples sent to India. "What we see in India," said he, "apart from amateur productions, is only the commercial drama, which does not help to any mutual understanding or artistic growth."

He emphasised the fact that native India is a country where folk-drama is still a vital and regular thing. Accordingly all plays, which come near to folk-drama in spirit—plays of deep sincerity on the one hand and of simple and unsophisticated humour on the other—are those which will appeal, in particular plays that can be done either in the open air or in every makeshift little theatres are what is wanted.

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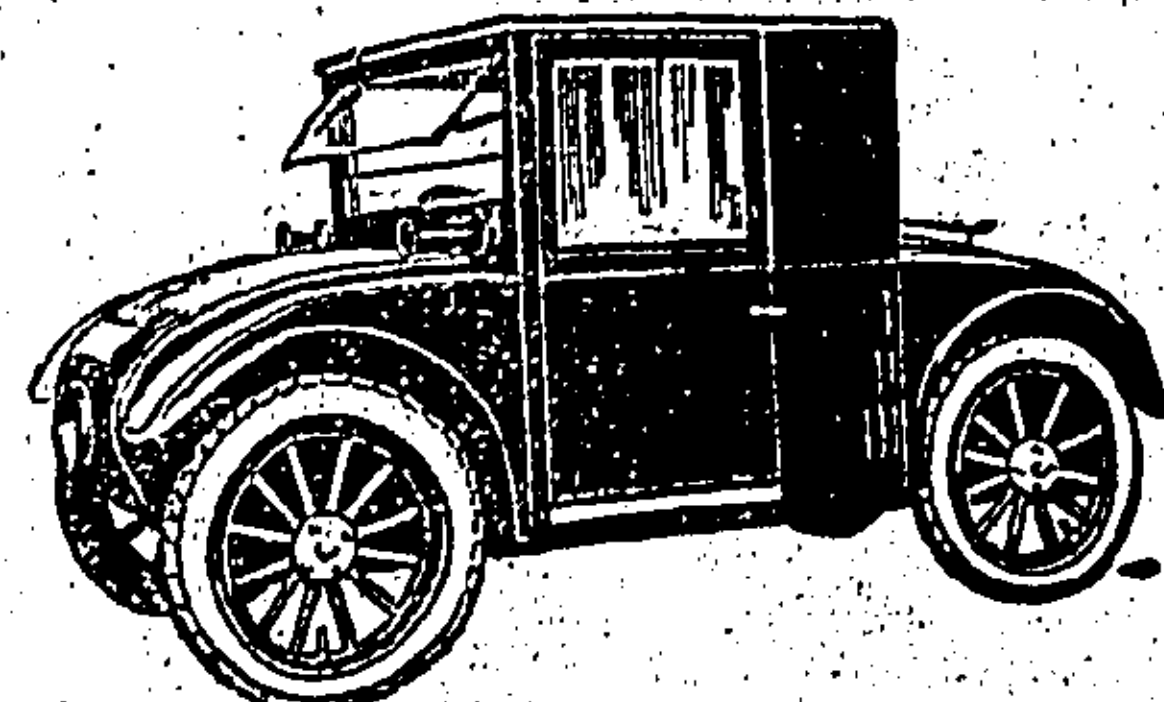
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## H.K.F.C. MEETING.

### PROCEDURE IN ELECTION OF COMMITTEE.

#### MR. McCUBBIN, LIFE MEMBER.

Whether so-called "playing" members should be elected to serve on the general committee and was there any differentiation between ruggers and soccerites were two of the questions discussed at the 41st annual meeting of the Hong Kong Football Club, held yesterday in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Mr. J. McCubbin who, as player, veteran and official, has served the Club for years, was elected a life member—proposed by Mr. P. W. Ramsay, seconded by Mr. J. Ralston (who presided over the meeting).

Mr. Ralston referred to the annual report (which has been published in the "China Mail") and pointed out that there was a balance at the bank of \$15,000 and \$1,500 in war loan. He paid a tribute to the work of Mr. H. M. McTavish (hon. secretary) and Mr. D. J. Purves (hon. treasurer).

#### NEW OFFICERS.

Mr. R. M. Dyer was elected President—proposed by Mr. Ralston, seconded by Mr. McCubbin.

Mr. Ralston was elected Vice-President—proposed by Mr. A. H. McBride, seconded by Mr. S. J. Jordan.

Mr. W. Pryde was elected hon. secretary—proposed by Mr. J. Murray, seconded by Mr. McCubbin.

Mr. W. L. Alexander was elected hon. treasurer—proposed by Mr. C. W. E. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Ralston. Mr. Bishop said that the arduous work of treasurer might have to be undertaken by a professional firm in the near future.

Mr. A. T. Hamilton was re-elected chairman of the committee—proposed by Mr. C. D. Wales, seconded by Mr. C. B. Robertson.

Mr. A. H. McBride was elected captain of the 1st soccer XI—proposed by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. D. Lyon. Mr. J. Watson was elected vice-captain, proposed by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. J. Stewart.

#### RUGGER LEADERS.

The Rev. H. V. Koop was elected captain of the rugger XV—proposed by Mr. C. D. Wales, seconded by Mr. W. Beveridge. Mr. Wales was elected vice-captain, proposed by Mr. Ralston, seconded by Mr. Ramsay.

The names proposed for election to the Committee were those of Messrs. M. F. Akehurst, C. W. E. Bishop, C. B. Robertson, W. Beveridge, R. P. Shaw and Duncan. On the chairman's ruling, the names of Mr. Akehurst and Mr. Beveridge were approved, same having been selected at Thursday's meeting of members of the rugger section. On a ballot, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Bishop were elected as soccer representatives.

Mr. Ralston proposed and Mr. J. Stewart seconded the grant of an honorarium of \$200 each to Mr. McTavish and Mr. Purves and the motion was carried.

A correspondent's impressions follow:

#### THE REF'S WHISTLE.

### Extraordinary Meeting to Amend the Rules?

It was like a breath of old times and one almost expected to hear the referee's whistle blown when members assembled in considerable force to congratulate one another on their most satisfactory balance sheet, and to wrestle over representation of soccer and rugger members on the Committee.

One could feel the football atmosphere. Here were McCubbin, Ralston, Stewart, R. Hall, Black and others of the old brigade, and McBride, Bishop, Alexander, Lyon, Watson, Scott, Campbell and many others of the younger brigade, and a big gathering of the rugger representatives, also many old and faithful supporters of the Club

with a record of service over many years—years during which a round of drinks "stood" by one of the Committee men or players would make a "gate" of to-day look small.

#### "NOT QUITE SATISFIED."

The discussion of the evening centred around representation on the Committee. The elections were as follows:—Mr. C. B. Robertson and Mr. C. W. E. Bishop (soccer), Mr. M. F. Akehurst and Mr. W. Beveridge (rugger), but many bridges were crossed before these gentlemen were finally elected.

The impression gathered by an outsider at the meeting was that an extraordinary general meeting of the Club to amend or at least make definite rules is bound to come. Election of other officers was unanimous; that of the four members of the Committee was not, although they are very popular personalities. A section of the old brigade appeared to be not quite satisfied with the rule which the chairman (Mr. Ralston) decided must rule the election.

This, of course, is welcome. It is the pause when the referee, during the game, blows his whistle, quietly signals a particular play, or who is looking the other way (and has to be told by one of his mates of the referee's interest in him), and after a few quiet words the game proceeds with the offender very subdued (temporarily). My old football friends will understand. There is a little difference of opinion and the Club do not like hard and fast rules.

#### JOCK STEPS IN.

Jock McCubbin stepped in and assisted the referee as he has done on many occasions in the past and, in Club language, intimated to the meeting much the same sentiments as he used toward offending players in his old playing days; although it was always in Scotch and not understandable to about three members of his own team, the effect however was the same. Harmony prevailed. Elections proceeded. Honoraria were approved and votes of thanks flew round the room.

The final shock was left for the end when Mr. McCubbin informed the meeting that he was leaving the Colony in three months.

#### A WORTHY HONOUR.

Before he had sat down I saw Stewart, Duncan and Ramsay—all good old names in the Club—pushing each other down in order to be first up to propose Mr. J. McCubbin a life member of the Club. There was no lack of seconds. And the honour is a worthy one.

Such, then, were my impressions of an eventful annual meeting. The Club, proud in the acquisition of an adequate permanent clubhouse commensurate with their history and success, are starting on a very promising and auspicious season, but I could not help regretting the absence amongst the officials of names which sound like McCubbin, Duncan, Shaw, Wilton, Stewart, Ramsay, Gerrard—names which will always be remembered in the records of the Hong Kong Football Club.

## BASEBALL.

### NEW FIXTURE FOR TO-MORROW.

The Hong Kong Baseball Club vs. South China "Dragons" game has been scheduled for Sunday at 4 p.m. instead of to-day.

## TURN "PRO."

### OLYMPIC MARATHON WINNER.

Paris, Yesterday. The "Petit Parisien" reports that the Olympic Marathon winner, Elouafi, has turned professional. He has signed to run ten races of 42 kilometres and ten of 25 kilometres during a five months contract in America.—Reuter.

## WELL BEATEN.

### AMERICA RETAINS THE WALKER CUP.

#### 11 OUT OF 12 GAMES.

Chicago, Yesterday. America retains the Walker Cup for golf, having won all four foursomes and seven out of the eight singles.

Jones beat Perkins 18 up. Gunn beat Hardman 11 and 10. Quimet beat Hezlet 8 and 7. Sweetser beat Hope 5 and 4. Von Elm beat Tweddell 3 and 2. Johnston beat Storey 4 and 2. Mackenzie beat Martin 2 and 1. Torrance beat Evans, one up. The British played better than in the foursomes and at lunch they were leading in three matches. Jones made mincemeat of Perkins, who could not do better than 84 compared with Jones' perfect 70.—Reuter's American Service.

## NEHRU REPORT.

### ADOPTED BY INDIA ALL PARTY CONFERENCE.

#### "OFFICIAL" LANGUAGE.

Lucknow, Yesterday. Punjab, Bengal, Hindu and Moslem leaders have informed the All Party Conference that they accepted the Nehru Report providing there was a joint electorate without reservation of seats, and provided adult suffrage was granted and the system is made subject to revision in ten years.

The Conference adopted the Nehru Report. Accordingly, the Conference resolved that Urdu be the language of the Indian Commonwealth and that English be optional.—Reuter.

## "TITANIC"

### BIG SCENES IN FILM COMING TO QUEEN'S.

With a distinguished cast of players headed by George O'Brien and Virginia Vail, "Titanic" comes to the Queen's Theatre as the chief attraction from Thursday to Saturday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue.



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In addition to Bebs Daniels' new comedy, "A Kiss in a Taxi," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow and on Monday, the latest "Felix" cartoon "Felix Laughs It Off," will also be shown.

Another adjournment was necessary yesterday in the District Court Martial of Gunner Shipley and Lance Bombardier Cotton of the Royal Artillery.

## AIR MAIL TRAFFIC.

### BIG INCREASE IN BRITISH RETURNS.

#### PARCELS AND LETTERS.

London, Yesterday. The Postmaster General, Sir W. Mitchell-Thomson, announces a steady growth of British air mail traffic during the quarter ended June last. During the quarter, nearly 14,000 lbs. weight of parcels were sent by air to Germany as against 9,000 lbs. during the corresponding quarter of 1927, and over 6,000 lbs. to Paris as compared with 5,000 lbs.

Letters traffic to France and Germany showed an increase of 80 per cent. and 50 per cent., respectively, while over 4,000 of letter mails were despatched by the corresponding quarter of 1927—or an increase of over 50 per cent. New Services.

Since the opening of this year's summer season, several new air services have been made available, the most notable instances being the new air letter service to Persia in direct connection with London.

An air service in Peru for letters and parcels to Iquitos and certain other places was recently established, as was also a service to South America via France and Dakar.

Air parcel services have also been opened to Norway, Sweden and Denmark and to Austria, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. All these services represent a really appreciable gain in time for ordinary routes, in some cases as much as several weeks.

The public are evidently realising that the air parcel service offers not only rapid transit but also speedy clearance through customs in the country of destination.—British Wireless Service.

## RUBBER.

### FIRESTONE'S CONCESSION IN LIBERIA.

#### GOVERNMENT CRITICISED.

London, Yesterday. The "Times" Washington correspondent states that the Firestone Rubber Concession in Liberia and the State Department's share in the negotiations leading to it were attacked in the conference of the Institute of Politics of Williams-town by Mr. R. L. Buell, who investigated the Liberian question on the spot.

Mr. Buell condemned the plantation system which the Firestone Company was establishing because it was disastrous to the natives. He alleged that the spectre of French designs on the Liberian hinterland had evoked the view of forcing the grant of the million acre concession and the acceptance of the loan upon terms which would hand over the country to the control of an American financial commission.

Mr. Buell generally criticised the Governmental policy of supporting business men abroad as a "policy of domination." The attack created some disturbance.

A State Department official denied that pressure had been exerted on the Liberian Government, and stated that the United States Government was convinced of the Firestone Company's beneficent and humanitarian intentions.—Reuter.

## DASTARDLY ATTACK.

An unlicensed Chinese hawk, (18), named Leung Pui, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from a fractured skull and bodily wounds. It is alleged that a man, who represented himself to be a police officer, demanded tea-money from him, assaulted him and knocked him down the stone steps of On Hing-terrace. The injured man was stated to be unconscious last night.

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Stockholm ..... 18.18  
Copenhagen ..... 18.18  
Oslo ..... 18.19  
Vienna ..... 34.425  
Prague ..... 163 1/2  
Helsingfors ..... 192 1/2  
Madrid ..... 29.205  
Lisbon ..... 2 7/8  
Athens ..... 87 1/2  
Bucharest ..... 79 1/2  
Rio ..... 5 29/32  
Buenos Aires ..... 47 1/2  
Bombay ..... 1/5 31/32  
Shanghai ..... 2/7 1/2  
Hong Kong ..... 2/0  
Yokohama ..... 1/10 15/32  
Silver Spot ..... 28 11/16  
Silver Forward ..... 28 1/2  
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## FIVE YEARS' "HARD."

### COOLIE WITH REVOLVER AND AMMUNITION.

#### HIS MASTER'S PROPERTY.

Ho Mun, a house coolie, was charged, before Major C. Willson and Mr. W. Schofield, at Kowloon Magistracy, with the possession of a revolver and two rounds of ammunition without having a permit.

Sergeant Mottrano said that defendant was arrested in Temple-street by two detectives after a severe struggle, during which he attempted to draw his revolver. Defendant was wounded in the struggle, and sent to hospital in an ambulance.

The revolver was discovered to be the property of Dr. Mellon, in whose house defendant was a house coolie. At the time of the occurrence Dr. Mellon was out of the Colony.

Defendant stated that he had on the advice of friends, taken his master's revolver because certain members of a Triad Society had demanded \$80 from him.

The magistrates, after commending the Chinese detectives for the plucky manner in which they tackled defendant, sentenced defendant to five years' jail with hard labour.

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# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

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Mrs. A. T. Thomson and Daughter.



Francis Phillips, son of the late "See Jack" Phillips of Queens, never scandal fame, kept his marriage to Helen Thomson (left) secret on account of the government's investigation. The government has now subpoenaed the bride and her mother, Mrs. Annette T. Thomson (right).

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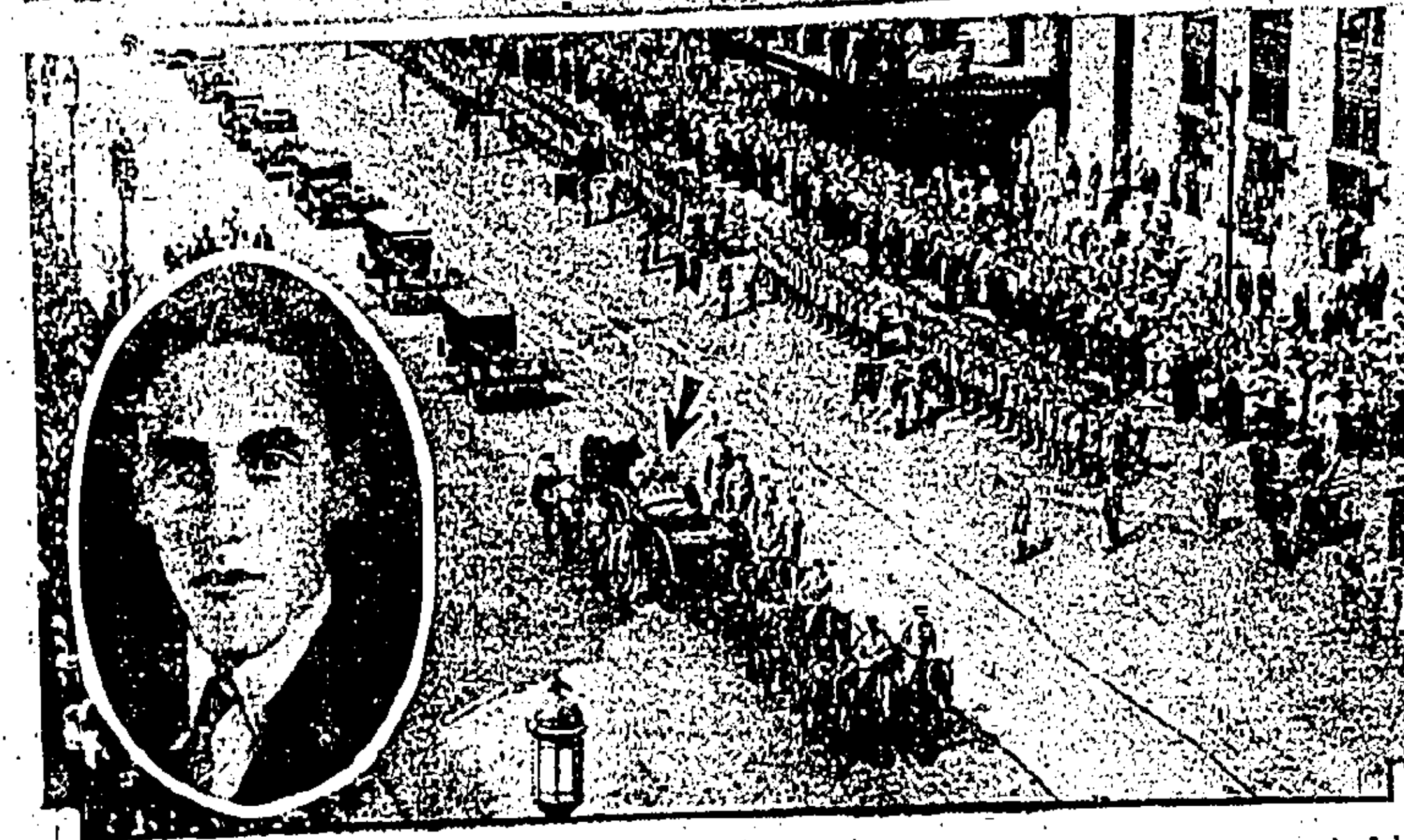
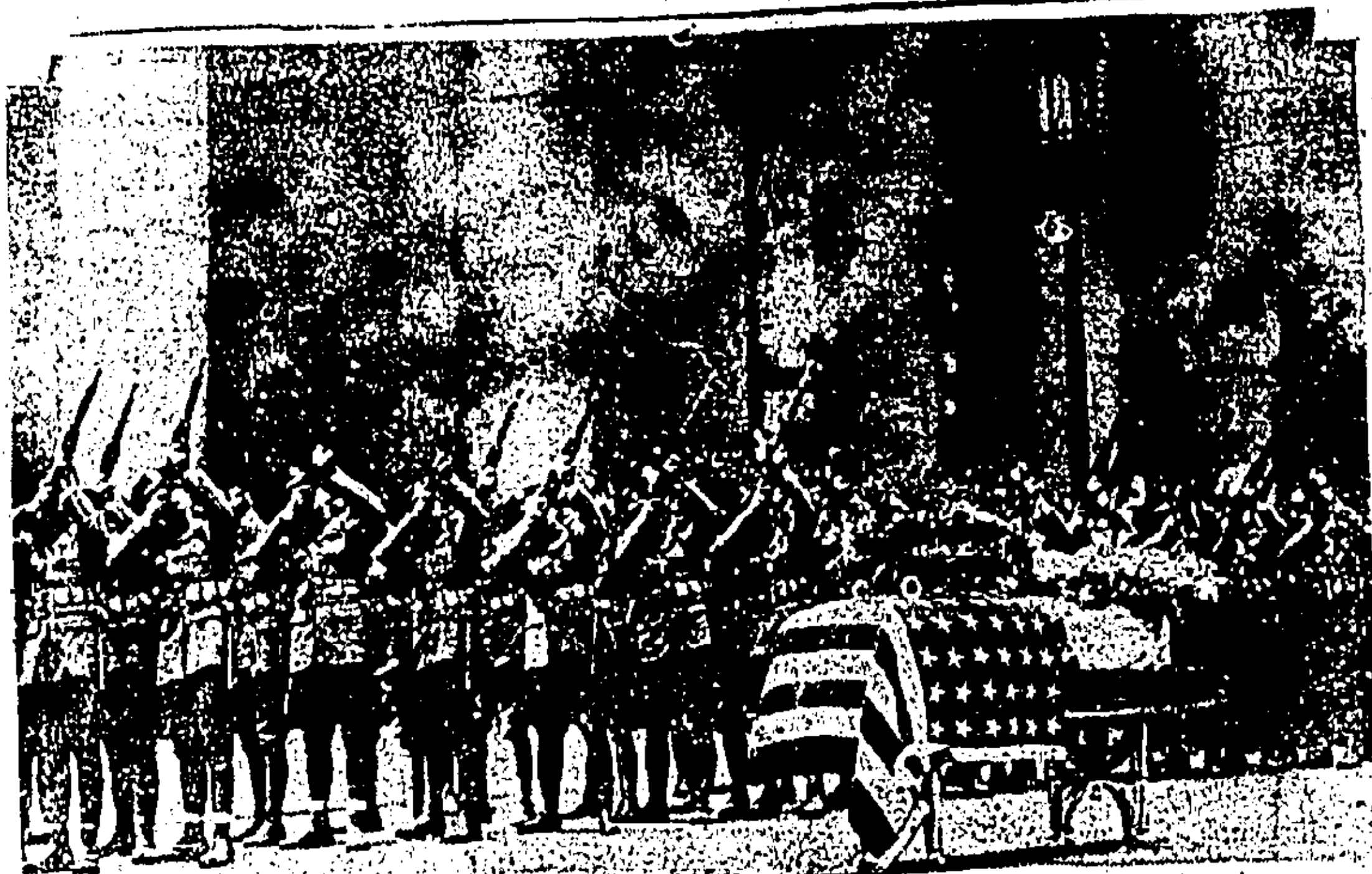
Judge John Barton Payne, chairman of the board of the American Red Cross, is shown making the first trans-Atlantic telephone call to Switzerland. The Red Cross head talked for five minutes to headquarters of the organization in Geneva.

"Annual Overhaul."



Dr. Leonard L. B. Williams, of England, the originator of the "annual overhaul" of the body.

"Mexico's Lindy" Going Home.



Reverently silent, 200,000 persons lined New York's Gay White Way as 10,000 troops marched before six black horses drawing the artillery caisson on which was borne the body of Captain Emilio Carranza, Mexico's martyred Ambassador of Good Will, on the way back to the Lone Eagle's native land. The picture at the top shows the firing squad paying a soldier's tribute to the dead ace; below, a portion of the procession, with the caisson in the foreground.

Landmark Makes Way for Modern Needs.



Built nearly a century ago, this old house at Wooster, Ohio, was the birthplace and boyhood home of C. H. Henry, father of Mrs. Herbert Hoover (right), wife of the Republican nominee for President. It was purchased by a garage man, Boyd Cornelius, who is tearing it down to put up a garage. Cornelius offered to let Mrs. Hoover choose any mementoes she wished from the house. Mrs. Hoover sent Mrs. Alice Sprague (left), of Wooster, an old friend of the family, to make her choice for her. Mrs. Sprague got there just in time to pick a few of the balusters from the old stairway down which Mr. Henry used to slide a boy.



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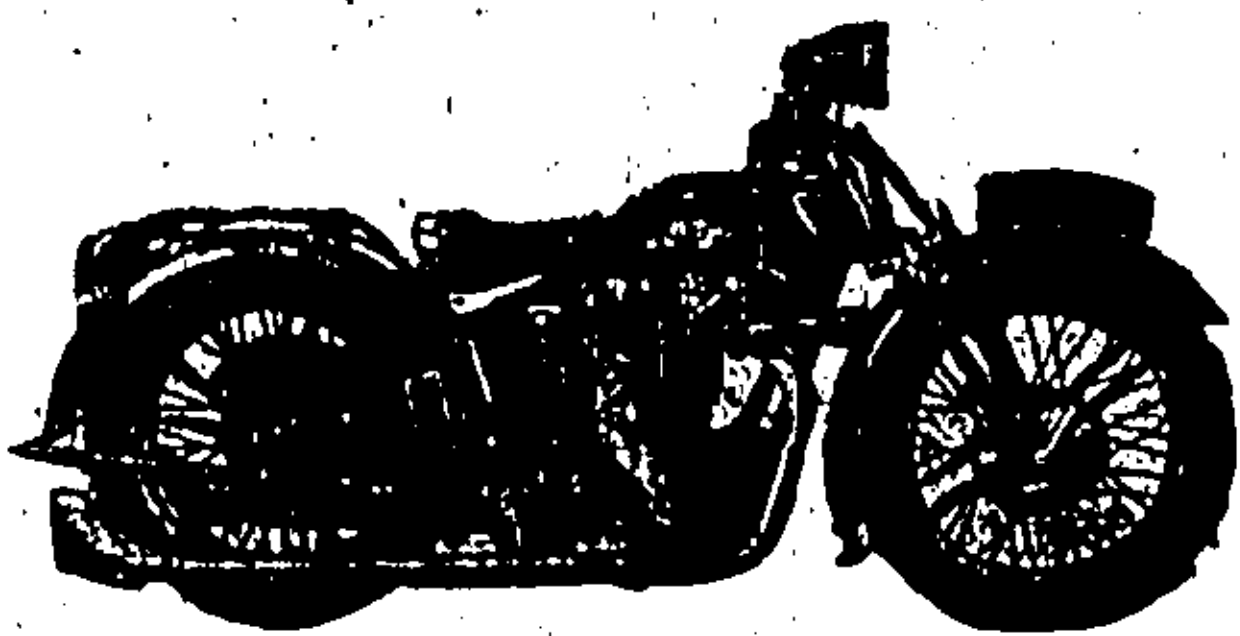
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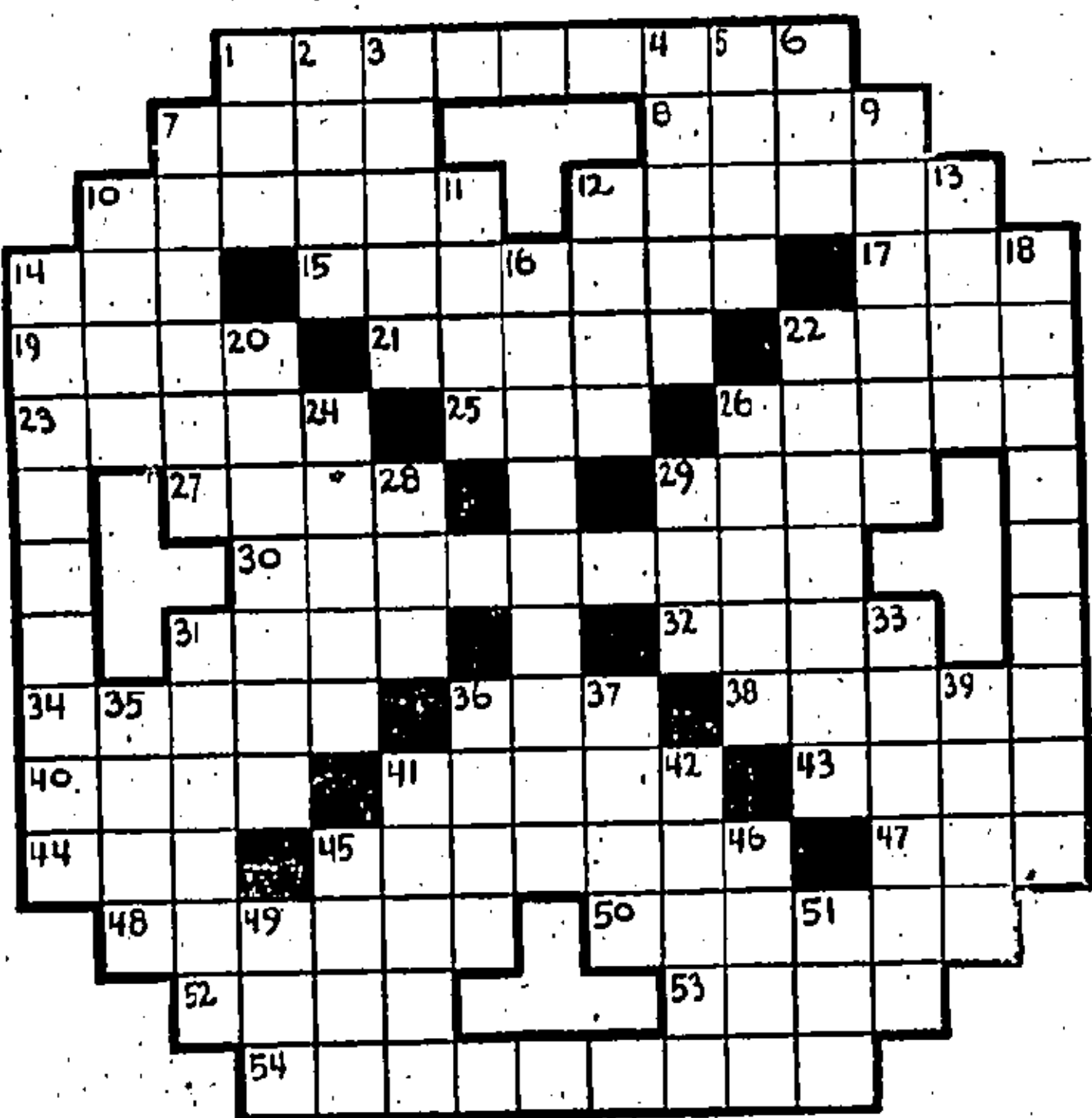


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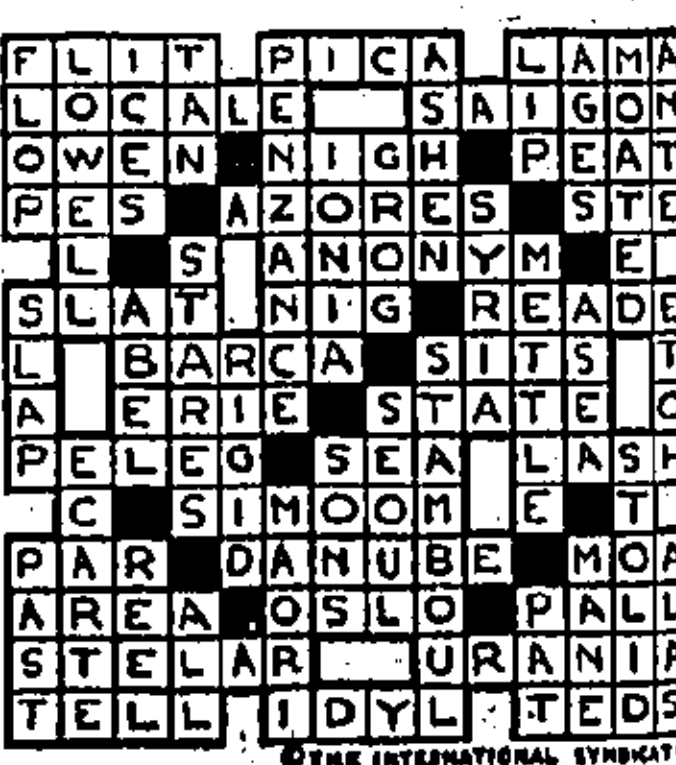


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| 17-Childish name for parent                                   | 47-Conducted                         | 18-Enjoyed                 |
| 19-Elect  | 48-Less difficult                    | 19-Road after              |
| 21-That on which a fire rests                                 | 50-Drove, as a coach                 | 20-Strips                  |
| 22-Draft animal   | 53-Thin, nail                        | 21-Looked gay              |
| 23-Pronounced indistinctly                                    | 54-Crushed                           | 22-Paper promising payment |
| 25-Continued violent noise                                    |                                      | 23-Falsifier               |
| 26-Becomes fatigued   | <b>VERTICAL</b>                      | 24-Direction of a curve    |
| 27-Strip of wood  | 1-In place of                        | 25-Vulgar upstart          |
| 29-Fine whistone  | 2-Pronoun                            | 26-Pertaining to tones     |
| 30-Taking dimensions  | 3-To act in response                 | 27-Enjoyed                 |
| 31-Mastered   | 4-Invited                            | 28-Strips                  |
| 32-Chums  | 5-Labor                              | 29-Looked gay              |
|   | 6-Eagle                              | 30-Paper promising payment |
|   | 7-Chief magistrate of Roman Republic | 31-Falsifier               |
|   | 8-Put up with                        | 32-Manner of walking       |
|   | 10-Small net                         | 33-Employed                |
|   |                                      | 34-Invited                 |
|   |                                      | 35-Direction of a curve    |
|   |                                      | 36-Vulgar upstart          |
|   |                                      | 37-Groundplot              |
|   |                                      | 38-Clotted blood           |
|   |                                      | 39-Title of respect        |
|   |                                      | 40-Boy                     |

**SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES**  
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



HONG-KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1825
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1784
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1607
Mt. Davis	877
Brown Road (Altitude)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Tai Mo Shan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"MAIL" REVIEWS.

PUNK.

["Sisters in Name," by Gwen A. D. Ashwell. (Arthur H. Stockwell, Ltd., London).]

This is a story of 39 pages dealing almost entirely with Hong Kong life. It gives an outsider a very vivid idea of the shallowness of life in this Colony, and the Home conditions under which some of the snobs have lived before arriving in Hong Kong. Undoubtedly, this Colony must seem a veritable paradise to such classes of people. The yarn lacks any semblance of a plot, in fact it is a puerile in style and reminds one of a five cent weekly story of love such as is read eagerly by the younger generation of girls. The author has evidently lived in Hong Kong, but your reviewer would not imagine that she has lived there long. Her romanticized Cantonese expressions might be more exact. To be classed with other cheap stories of the "Magical Perfume of the East," "The Mystical East," etc., class which will probably be swallowed wholesale with gaping mouths by the romantic maiden at Home.

BRIGHTLY SAID.

["Premature Epitaphs," by Kensal Green. (Cecil Palmer, London).]

One of a very snappy little series of books, including "Men ARE Pigs," "Women ARE Pigs," "Cockadoddledont" (for a little girl), etc. Bright, "readable" reading just the thing to slip in the pocket for reading on tram or ferry. "Premature Epitaphs" begins with Lady Astor, of whom it is written "Here England buries her grudge against Columbus." Lord Balfour, Lord Beaverbrook, Mr. Baldwin, The Bishop of London, Charlie Chaplin, Henry Ford, President Coolidge, Pussycat Johnson and Lord Dewar are but a few whose epitaphs have been skillfully prepared by the author, who completes the book with his own "Kensal Green, his skin to save. Here takes refuge in his grave." If you like to laugh, read this.

"SAPPER" IN FORM.

["The Female of the Species," by "Sapper" (H. C. McNeill). (Hodder and Stoughton, London).]

Three hundred and twelve pages crammed full of excitement. Bulldog Drummond at his best, and his coolest, humming the Froth Blower's Anthem and quietly quaffing his very necessary beer whilst right under his nose his enemies are seeking his life and have kidnapped his wife. Carl Peterson was dead and the account between him and Bulldog Drummond appeared settled out but an important factor was missing from the balance sheet—Irma—Peterson's lovely mistress and helpmate! Irma's desire for vengeance bordered on madness and her wits were sharp, but no crude methods would satisfy her. A treasure hunt with Phyllis, the wife of Bulldog Drummond as the treasure—that was her campaign. When Bulldog Drummond and Irma met then indeed did he realize that the female of the species is more deadly than the male. The final scene holds one breathless. One of Sapper's best. Enough said.

—STRATHCONA.

THE SON OF MAN.

[By Emil Ludwig (Ernest Benn, Ltd.) 319 pp. 15/-]

This is an age of Biography, and right in the forefront or rather the limelight of those who are leading library shelves with "lives of great men" is the German Jew, Herr Ludwig. He might be described as the Edgar Wallace of biographers. Herr Emil Ludwig having rapidly (and no doubt profitably) portrayed Bismarck, Napoleon, and the ex-Kaiser now chooses what he calls his greatest subject. The result can scarcely be called a great book. It is described as the story of Jesus the man. This latest Jesus book is not a learned disquisition, for the author has done no historiographical delving and has taken care to steer clear of all documentary problems in his attempt to give a pictorial representation of what he admits to be "one among many possible interpretations." It is a very unsatisfying interpretation. The best part of the book by far is the first part before Jesus appears at all. This comprises sixty two pages (about a fifth of the whole book) and gives a "strikingly realistic and sympathetic description of life in Judea under the tolerant but firm rule of Rome. That part is interesting and con-

vincing and the translators, Edgar and Cedar Paul, are to be complimented on their performance. The rest of the book may interest many but it will convince few. This is not surprising for it is the work of a Jew who is writing about a person in whose divinity he does not believe, and for people who regard the subject of his pen as the Son of God. The result is that one gets the impression that all the time he was writing this book, which has probably brought its author much money, Herr Ludwig's tongue was in his cheek. When he comes across any difficulty such as the miracles he avoids it. The story of the wedding wine at Cana is explained as a piece of hypnotism through a wall—the water was not really changed into wine: the people only thought so. The defection of Judas, the financier who doubts the sanity of his master, is cleverly portrayed whereas the crucifixion and the subsequent disappearance of the body are weakly represented.

The book might be described as an up-to-date Jesus romance with no theology or discordant note of doubt, written for novel readers who do not care for heavy stuff, and suitable for kinematic reproduction. If the reader wants a life of Jesus backed by weight of scholarship, reasonable feeling for critical problems, and refined gravity of critical survey he had better stick to Renan. If he desires a copious scientific and historiographical though somewhat dry-as-dust study he can wade through Warschauer, Klausner and Buetmann.

Herr Ludwig's "pot-boiler" reads easily (the translation seems to have been well done) and the book is enhanced by the reproduction of eight excellent etchings by Rembrandt.

THE PACIFIC: A FORECAST.

[By P. T. Etherton and H. H. Tiltmann (Ernest Benn, Ltd.) 12/6.]

In this most fascinating and "meaty" volume Colonel Etherton and Mr. Tiltmann endeavour to examine the Pacific world in all its bearings in a spirit of impartiality free from sentiment and bias, and to turn the searchlight of investigation on to its many problems. Not the least of these are the future of China with its vast storehouse of unexplored raw materials, and the adjustment of clashing interests in the development of this, the largest undeveloped market in the world.

In chapter one an interesting survey of the history of the Pacific since the appearance there of Magellan is given. This is followed by a very clear account of the rise of Japan to a first class power and her relations with Britain and America. The writers have some interesting, daring, and trenchant things to say about Australia's empty spaces, and Japan's dense population, and make the daring prediction that Canberra may one day be the capital of the British Empire. The Singapore Naval Base is discussed, the friction between America and Japan is explained, the future industrialisation of China is envisaged, and a realistic description of an imaginary war between Japan and the U.S.A. is cleverly portrayed. Every now and then the authors, who seem to have consulted a great number of standard books on various subjects, branch off into descriptions of modern airplanes, searchlights, how chemists are working to get oil from coal etc. They even give a short account of the Bounty mutiny. The result is that the book is as intriguing as any romance, and if the reader does not agree with some of the daring conjectures and forecasts, that only makes the volume more thought provoking. Some of the excerpts are arresting: thus after touring Australia in 1914 the Chinese Consul declared: "I saw more trees than men. The Almighty gave Australia to the Australians, and they could not use it, so he took it away from them and gave it to the English. If the English do not use it He will doubtless take it away from them." In a discussion as to whether Australia can remain "White" with so many Japanese and Chinese looking at her empty areas the writers say: "In the immediate future the contest between Japan and Australia will be a keen one. While there is no justification for the view that brains and science alone can make an industrial nation, there can be little doubt that Australia, populated by virile citizens, with its temperate climate, magnificent geographical position, adequate resources, and the skill of the Motherland behind it, is destined to become one of the key nations of the Pacific. Yet the Australians evince but a slight interest, and sometimes actual opposition,

to any scheme for transfer to their empty acres of the population which must be secured if the opportunity is to be exploited. It is a form of moral obligation upon Australians to accommodate in their great country every suitable Briton desirous of settling there. Events of the next few years must convince those who govern Australia that if the position in the Pacific is to be maintained, plans more far-reaching than the existing ones must be formulated."

These pregnant sentences are typical of most of this bold and interesting book. It is a volume that should be studied by merchants and those interested in Pacific problems. We can confidently recommend it.

AT MONTE CARLO.

["Full Passionate Mood," by Nellie Tom Gallon. The Savoy Library, The Diamond Press, Ltd., London. 3/6, nett.]

The story opens by introducing the Hero, Dennis Reay, a journalist from Fleet-street, on holiday at Monte Carlo, where he looked upon life and those around him with a somewhat cynical aspect.

He encounters adventure at the Casino, and in the second and third chapters meets the other main characters of the story. Excitements and mysteries follow one another, but Reay is recalled suddenly to Fleet-street, and according to his own idea, to work and forgetfulness.

The story quickly returns to excitement and mystery, for though the title does not suggest it, this is essentially a mystery story.

All the characters Reay met at Monte Carlo are in turn brought into the scene, and one is puzzled as to whether they play a sinister or passive part in the story which follows.

Reay, himself, regards Christine Etheridge, the heroine, as an adventuress who has infatuated his wealthy and elderly cousin, and warns him against her, and the climax of the plot occurs when Reay's cousin is found shot dead.

The closing chapters deal with the straightening up of the mystery, the proving of the murder to be an accident, and the opening of the hero's eyes, so that he realises his love for Christine. We are led to presume that "they live happily ever after," but the other characters are disposed of rather too conveniently to be interesting, though one realises that they all play their part in the plot successfully.

This book is very light reading, and holds one's interest, being sufficiently a mystery story without having too-involved a plot, so can be recommended to those to whom this type of literature appeals.

THE GRAECO-ROMAN LEGACY.

We are apt to speak of civilisations of Greece and Rome, as though they differed from our own. While it is true that their empires crumbled into dust, yet their civilisation was the foundation of the present civilisation of Europe. Upon their art and science, and letters, and philosophy, were founded ours. This volume purports to show in a simple manner, the Graeco-Roman legacy to European thought and organisation, and at the same time, to present a short history of these two empires of antiquity. It is a book which may be commended to students of history, as it gives a finer idea of social and cultural tendencies in the old Mediterranean civilisation than most of the smaller histories. It is profusely illustrated, and has 14 maps, which help to elucidate the changing boundaries.

["The Story of Greece and Rome," by J. C. Robertson, M.A., and H. G. Robertson, Ph.D. Victoria College, University of Toronto. London, Dent.]



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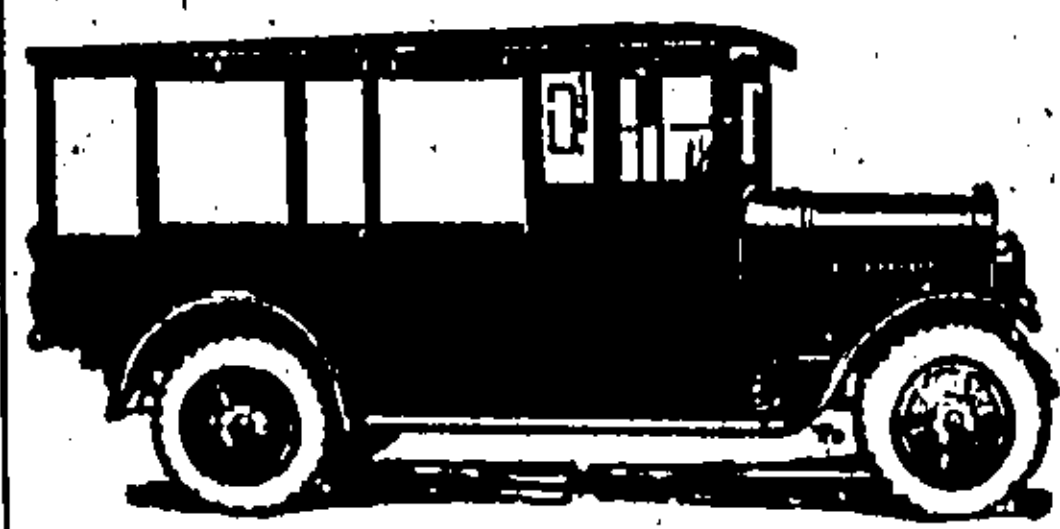
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Swatow	5.	Hydrangea
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Manila	9.	Empress of Asia
Amoy	10.	Sin Kiang
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### THE GERMAN WAR LOAN FRAUD.

#### STINNES' CASE.

AN EX-FRENCH DEPUTY WHO "OWNED MARKS 28,000,000."

VON WALDOW'S POSSESSION.

Berlin, Yesterday.

Hugo Stinnes, interrogated by the Judge, absolutely denied that he was aware of the money with which he had been provided by von Waldow to purchase War Loan stock being used for illegal purposes. He said that at the suggestion of von Waldow he financed, to the extent of £20,000 a French group which possessed a large amount of war loan.

Subsequently he learned that the group consisted of three foreigners who had founded a company in Paris for the sole purpose of buying German Government securities. Persons in Paris signed affidavits that they were the original holders of German War Loan and were consequently entitled to a higher revaluation than the new holders. He also stated that an ex-French deputy declared that he owned 28,000,000 marks' worth of War Loan.

Von Waldow has been provisionally released but the indictment against him is still in the hands of his lawyers, who state that he "protected Stinnes until the authorities discovered from other sources Stinnes' participation in the matter."—Reuter.

[A telegram from Berlin, dated Aug. 30, stated: "The big business man, Hugo Stinnes, son of the late Hugo Stinnes (the richest man in Germany during the inflation period) has been gaoled in connection with the War Loan frauds, for which Stinnes was secretary."

Von Waldow, who was arrested some weeks ago, declared that Stinnes was aware of the projected fraud. This Stinnes denied. The fraud consisted of buying German war stock abroad and registering it in Berlin as original War Loan Stock, which had not changed hands since the 1918 revolution and, consequently, had been revalued by the Government, whereas the stock which had changed hands since 1918 was practically worthless.]

### U.S. PRESIDENCY.

#### GOV. SMITH APPROVED BY N. Y. LABOUR.

#### A STORMY SESSION.

New York, Yesterday.

The Presidential candidacy of Governor Smith was approved with acclamation at a stormy session of the Annual Convention of the New York State Federation of Labour. Wets and Dries. Hotspiring, Arkansas. Yesterday.

There were torrential rains on the occasion of the open air ceremony for nominating Senator Robinson as Democratic candidate for the Vice-Presidency. Senator Robinson gave a long address directed principally to the "solid South" where there is considerable dissatisfaction with Governor Smith's hostility to prohibition.

Sensor Robinson pleaded that there was room in the Democratic party for both "dries and wets."—Reuter's American Service.

### H.M.S. "AUSTRALIA."

#### PAYS A FOUR DAYS' VISIT TO NEW YORK.

New York, Yesterday.

H.M.S. "Australia" has arrived here for a four days' visit. Salutes were exchanged but the elaborate harbour reception arranged by the city authorities was postponed owing to the lateness of the hour. A civic banquet and various theatre parties were held.—Reuter's American Service.

Mrs. Helen Schilizzi, aged 24, daughter of Mr. Stephen Schilizzi, of Gillingborough Court, Northamptonshire, and niece of M. Venizelos, Greek Prime Minister, is recommended as prospective Liberal candidate for Northampton.

### WHEN HONG KONG IS TOLERANT.

#### EVILS BIG & SMALL.

WATER SUPPLY ONE OF GROUP OF PROBLEMS.

NO "ARMY OF KENWORTHYS"

[By "Seigmund"—Special to the "China Mail."]

George was showing me a letter which he had recently received from a friend in Shanghai. One passage in the note immediately claimed my attention:—

"I have kicked about so many things down your way that it's high time you fellows start to sit up and do something yourselves. If such things were to happen up here, we would never tolerate them. We are very alert, and see to it that anything wrong is adjusted before any great length of time."

And so, to come to the point as briefly as possible, it is a matter of wonder—and great regret—that the citizens of Hong Kong have hitherto been so tolerant of the many evils, both big and small which, by reason of their being altogether unjustified, stand as a heavy mark of disgrace to the name of the Colony.

#### UNENTHUSIASTIC IMAGES.

Many have been the occasions when the local Press has emphasized the need of promoting and fostering a real civic spirit among Hong Kong-ites in general. These numerous treatises have not fallen on stony, unenthusiastic images, but have been the means of inspiring not a few illustrious individuals in our midst to wax bold and devise ways and means whereby this Colony can be better administered and its people better cared for. But alas! the eloquence and cleverness of these individuals have never penetrated beyond their parlour walls. The fault, however, does not entirely rest with them, and once in a while they persuade themselves to pen a thundering "letter-to-the-editor." We cannot have an army of Kenworthys or a battalion of Clarence Darrows, but surely there are at least a handful of notables in this "ill o' burg" who are brilliant and influential enough to voice the laments of their fellows and secure justice in matters which should in haste be abolished or corrected. It is indeed a shame that some who claim to be public spirited sometimes give way to vague promises.

#### ROCKEFELLER'S WORDS.

There is, for instance, the question of the water supply. The majority of those who are not directly affected by the restrictions are disinclined to do anything for the betterment of prevailing conditions. It looks as though there will be more days in the year when rationing prevails than when there is a constant supply. Petitions and complaints bring forth no redress beyond the assurance, perhaps, that the Government has the matter in hand and is giving it every attention. Such assurances are all very well, but are not of any help in the efforts to alleviate the sufferings of those hundreds of unfortunate whose lot it is to be unable to live on the Peak or Mid-levels. John D. Rockefeller has said something to the effect, I believe, that wealth is no wealth unless it may be employed as a medium to further the cause of humanity. Thus, even though we may share the palace of the gods, it is our bounden duty to hearken to the cry of the masses.

#### SCIENCE V. NATURE.

Can we exist without bread? Yes. Can we exist without rice? Yes. But are we able to subsist without water? Decidedly not! We realise full well that there are certain periods of drought in this part of the world and I like to sympathise with those in authority who do their very best. But what use is there for science if it does not aid us in combating the often bitter and unrelenting forces of nature? And, when I come to think of this, my sympathy is automatically withheld. Is it because of the paltry revenue which the Government derives from householders who possess water meters (and therefore have to pay for the water they use) that it feels loath to endeavour to discover a way

### LABOUR ORGANISER AND U.S.A.

#### MILD FLUTTER.

PASSPORT REFUSED VISE BY CONSUL-GENERAL.

A QUERY.

Washington, Yesterday.

As the result of the representations of labour circles the State Department has cabled to Mr. Halstead, United States Consul-General in London, asking why he refused to vise the passport of Mr. Mark Starr, the British Labour organiser, thereby preventing him from visiting the United States in connection with a course of lectures on the British Labour Movement at Brookwood Labour College.—Reuter's American Service.

#### ROY ANDREWS.

SAYS EXPEDITION SANCTIONED BY PEKING.

"OIL PROSPECTING."

Peking, Yesterday.

Roy Andrews discussed the detention of his specimens with the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Perkins, this morning. It is understood that Mr. Andrews' position is that he went on the expedition with the sanction of the Government then existing in Peking, and Mr. MacMurray sponsored the trip, seeing them off beyond Kaifan.

Roy Andrews declares that the relics cannot be considered as curios as they have no market value, but are valuable only for scientific purposes. He ridicules the suggestion that he prospected for oil.

Mr. Andrews has not yet been officially informed that his boxes have been detained.—Reuter.

### WORLD'S "BIGGEST."

LUXURY SHIP BEING BUILT AT BELFAST.

WHITE STAR LINER.

London, Aug. 31.

The world's biggest and most luxurious ship is being built by Messrs. Harland and Wolff at Belfast for the White Star Trans-Atlantic service. Her tonnage is 60,000 and she will take three years to complete and will cost £6,000,000.

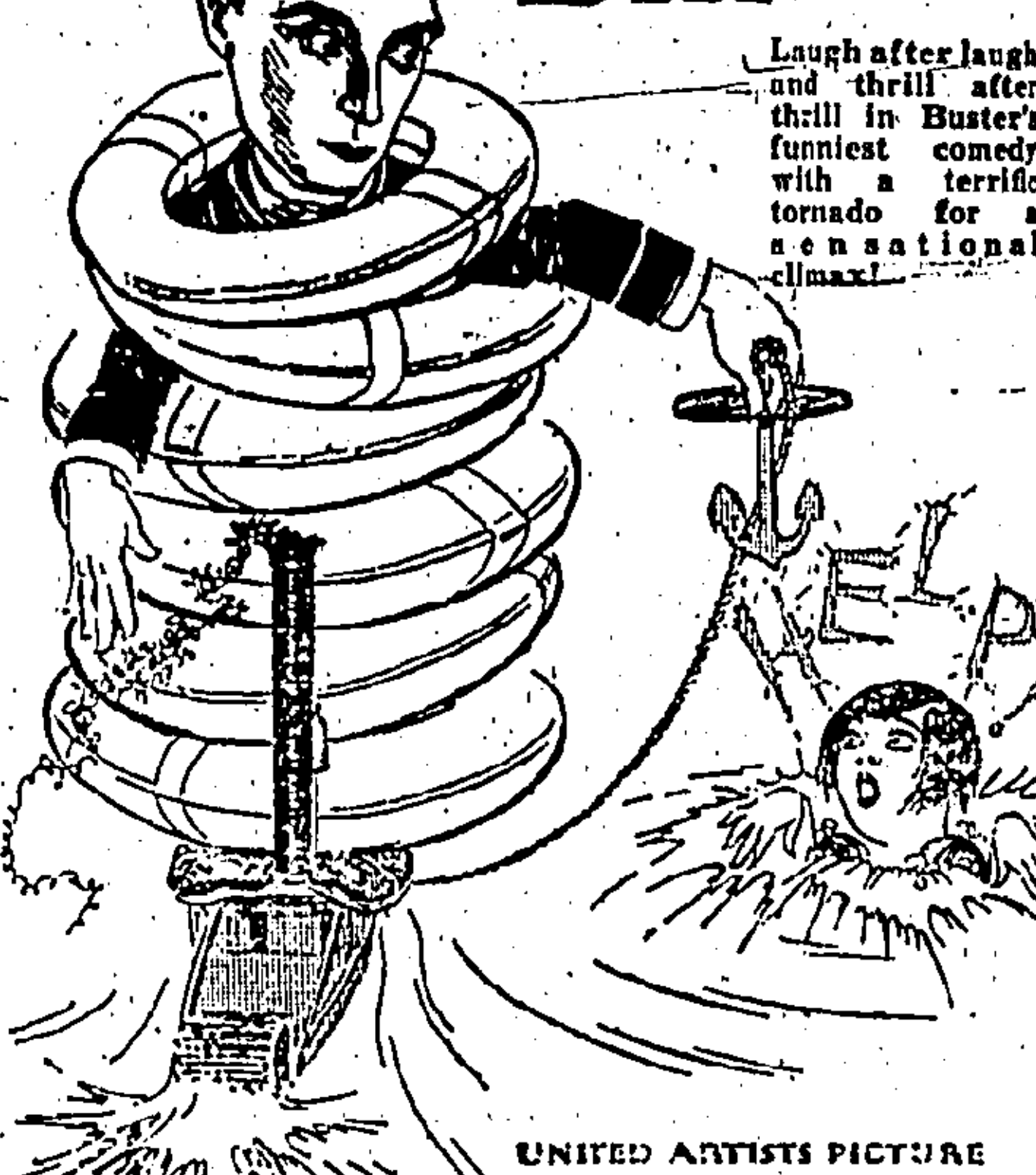
The Cunard Company is meanwhile considering the building of a new ship.—Reuter.

which will ensure an every-ready, faultless supply to each and every inhabitant? I have a doubt that this is true, for the Government must be aware of the fact that revenue lost in one way is revenue gained in another. The people of Hong Kong, as of old, would only be too eager to contribute financial assistance by subscriptions and so forth towards any well-founded scheme which makes the present scandal a thing of the past.

#### THEIR NAME IS LEGION.

There are at our finger-tips a whole group of subjects which demand immediate treatment. There is the high rent evil, of which we have heard so much in the course of the past few days. There is the beggar problem; the allegedly underpaid junior officers of the Government service; the matter of market stalls; the question of strict censorship in respect of the vernacular Press; the building regulations; and — not to be long-winded—the most important matter of popular representation on the Legislative Council. If the desired results of these and kindred problems are achieved within the limit of the present writer's life-time, then, Hong Kong-ites, you are men! So now, those citizens who take an earnest pride in the Colony and its varied affairs, rally to the standard that will lead everyone here to a brighter and more glorious era! And lastly, a word or two to Mr. J. P. Bragg and Mr. Ho Yu and others with the same determination and purpose—continue in your good work and win the gratitude of the multitude!

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